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## Soviets warn U.S. on placing of missiles

MOSCOW, March 19 (Agencies) — The Soviet Union on Saturday threatened that "the security of the United States would also be impaired" if NATO begins deploying new American missiles in Western Europe as scheduled later this year.

If the 572 Cruise and Pershing-2 missiles capable of reaching Soviet territory in six minutes are stationed as planned, "the Soviet Union will have to adopt such measures in reply that would put U.S. territory in an analogous position," the official news agency Tass said.

"It would be totally illogical to believe that the USSR would deal the retaliatory blow of retribution only to European territory, leaving the United States intact," it said.

The commentary was the fourth Soviet warning of retaliation in three days against the missiles, which are planned as a counter-to Soviet SS-20 medium-range nuclear missiles aimed at Western Europe.

Tass did not detail what steps the Soviets would take. But a leading Soviet expert on U.S. affairs, Georgi Arbatov, warned Thursday in Pravda that the NATO deployment would force the Soviets "not only to add to our missiles in Europe, but also to deploy them near American borders."

Tass said "the stationing of American missiles in the immediate proximity of the territories of Socialist countries would only destabilize the military and political situation in the world dramatically and increase the risk of the outbreak of general nuclear catastrophe."

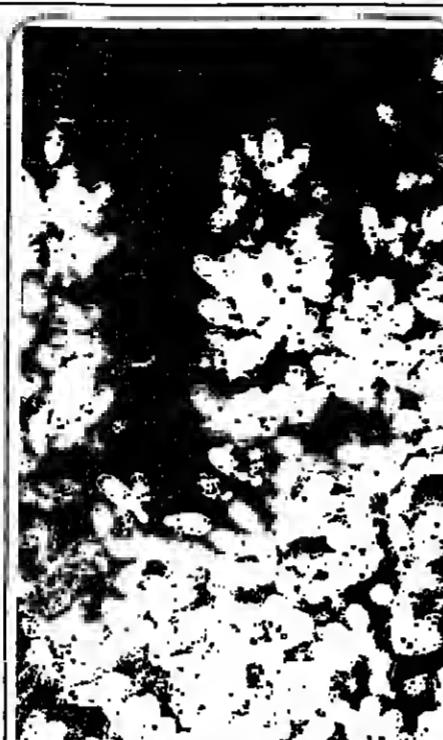
"The security of the United States would also be impaired," Western diplomats here say the latest Soviet statements indicate that the Kremlin does not want any agreement at the Geneva talks on limiting European nuclear arms that would allow partial deployment of the Pershing 2 and Cruise missiles.

U.S. President Reagan conferred with key national security advisers Friday to consider possible changes in his "zero-zero" plan, administration officials said.

They stressed he was merely reviewing policy and had not made any decision to go along with calls by allied leaders for an interim accord at the Geneva talks to remove some, but not all, U.S. and Soviet medium-range nuclear missiles in Europe.

Administration officials said new options put to Reagan Friday included one to stand pat on the zero-zero option, another to include strategic bombers in the negotiations, and others to remove some of the medium-range missiles in place or planned for deployment in Western Europe.

Some officials expressed doubt that Reagan would end his policy review before the current round in the Geneva negotiations adjourns on March 29.



**UNDERWATER MYSTERY:** Recognize the contents of this picture? Chances are it will even baffle the experts. Shot in an aquarium at the famous Marineland of Florida in St. Augustine, U.S., the picture shows the rare spectacle of — octopus eggs. How is it done? Each octopus egg emerges from the mother octopus about the size of an uncooked grain of rice with a short thread-like stem at one end. As the eggs emerge, the mother octopus weaves and cement its stems together to form strands up to 5 or 6 inches (12 or 15 centimeters) long. A single strand may be composed of as many as a thousand eggs. Over a period of about 2 weeks, hundreds of strands appear. The egg number in the hundreds of thousands.

## Kohl coalition taking shape

BONN, March 19 (R) — West Germany's three coalition parties Saturday entered the final phase of negotiations on the shape of a new government.

Controversial right-wing leader Franz Josef Strauss was said by aides in his Christian Social Union (CSU) party to be tempted by the prospect of becoming head of a "super" defense ministry, with the added title of vice chancellor.

But they said that so long as he won sufficient policy concessions, he would be content to remain Bavarian state premier. After the 67-year-old Strauss demanded a cabinet post in the new government, Chancellor Helmut Kohl is reported to have offered him the defense ministry, with additional responsibility for security and disarmament.

Kohl has so far expressed satisfaction over financial and political agreements between the coalition parties. Party sources said Kohl's Christian Democrats (CDU) have accepted virtually all the foreign policy changes demanded by Strauss.

Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher, leader of the junior Free Democratic (FDP) coalition partner, was expected to argue against the changes Saturday though the weakness of his party after the March 6 general election gives him little leverage.

The liberal FDP lost 19 Bundestag (lower house) seats and the strengthened CSU took its place as the second largest coalition party with 53 seats.

Strauss has always coveted the foreign ministry. Kohl, however, has made it plain he intends to retain both Genscher and FDP Economics Minister Otto Lambsdorff in the continued center-right coalition.

A Bavarian bank announced Thursday that Strauss was ready to accept a position on its supervisory board, which would mean he would have to remain in Bavaria. Strauss may delay a formal announcement of his intentions until a special meeting of the CSU in Munich on Monday, party sources said.

Meanwhile, Finance Minister Gerhard Stoltenberg was expected to fly to Brussels for a meeting of European Community ministers on a probable realignment of currencies within the European Monetary System (EMS).

Kohl and Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher are due in the Belgian capital Sunday night for a summit of European Community heads of government.

## Pipeline pricks U.S.-allies relations

WASHINGTON, March 19 (AP) — A new dispute has erupted between the United States on the one hand and France, West Germany and Canada on the other over the three latter countries' participation in the construction of a new Soviet gas pipeline in the Soviet south, according to columnist Jack

## Fresh violence erupts in Assam

NEW DELHI, March 19 (Agencies) — Five bombs exploded in Gauhati, capital of the northeast Indian state of Assam, Friday night but caused little damage and no casualties, the Press Trust of India (PTI) news agency said Saturday.

Two of the bombs were thrown into the offices of the government Press Information Bureau while the other blasts occurred near Gauhati's Press Club, a house in a residential suburb, and a shop.

No one claimed responsibility for the explosions, the latest in a wave of violence in troubled Assam which has taken some 3,000 lives in the past eight weeks.

About 100 houses were burned down in Assam's Kamrup district Friday night, PTI reported. This was a major renewed violence to be reported from the northeastern frontier state after a relative lull for the past few days.

## Whispering lands Briton in jail

LONDON, March 19 (AP) — A London magistrate demanded silence in court Friday and Michael O'Farrel kept on whispering. The magistrate pointed to the gallery and shouted, "take that man in the red shirt to the cells."

Mark Romer, magistrate in the East London district of Clerkenwell, declared himself "sick of those smirking people at the back."

He told O'Farrel, an unemployed 28-year-old from the suburb of Hazel Grove who apparently was in court just to watch justice at work: "Your contempt of court constituted unruly behavior in the public gallery and you will go to prison for seven days."

O'Farrel, agast, managed to say: "I want to appeal." Romer's response to that: "take him away, jailer."

## Hussein says

## M.E. peace goal at crossroads

used by U.S. President Ronald Reagan, who suggested a confederation between Jordan and the Palestinians.

King Hussein disclosed that he had "visited Egypt twice in the past when we did not have diplomatic relations and met President Hosni Mubarak.

He said they "have been in touch, in constant contact" since Mubarak came to power in October 1981, adding that relations between the countries were "extremely close."

King Hussein said that U.S. credibility faced a difficult test and that time was running out for progress toward peace in the Middle East.

"I believe for many reasons that we do not have much time before formidable obstacles appear in the path of any possible progress toward peace," he told the news conference.

## French threat to quit EMS

BRUSSELS, March 19 (AP) — French Finance Minister Jacques Delors said Saturday that France would withdraw from the European Monetary System immediately unless it gets monetary and financial concessions from its partners. (Related story on page 11)

"If there's no progress, France will withdraw from the EMS tonight," Delors told reporters as he entered a special meeting to discuss a possible realignment of currencies within the monetary system.

He rejected West German calls for a devaluation of the French franc and demanded instead an upward valuation of the West German mark against the other EMS currencies.

Delors declared: "As things stand now there's no basis for an agreement whatsoever. For 20 years West Germany has valued its currency unilaterally perhaps 10 times but I don't see why they can't do it now."

"If Germany doesn't want to give in, if it doesn't want to be more pro-European, I understand them. They have their problems. But I won't give in."

Luxembourg Finance Minister Jacques Santer and his Belgian counterpart Willy De Clerq told reporters they would resist any devaluation of their francs, which are pegged at the same rate within the system.

The conservative coalition has been effectively excluded from government for the past 17 years. Its opponents created the impression it might not be acceptable to Moscow and the conservatives themselves did not press hard for power during that time.

The urban-based party, which has doubled its backing since 1966 as firms have moved from the countryside to the towns, is now forecast to add around 10 seats to its present 46 in the 200-member parliament, with around 25 percent of the vote.

"If the conservatives reach this figure, pressure will mount for their inclusion in the government," said one commentator.

Moscow, which occasionally publishes oblique commentaries on Finnish domestic politics, has confined itself so far to reporting the current state of the parties.

Conservative leader Ilkka Suominen, 43, has stressed his allegiance to Helsinki's current policy of co-operation with Moscow and strict neutrality, the basis on which Finland has been able to develop as a Western-style capitalist democracy while sharing a 1,300-kilometer border with the USSR.

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## Approval given for new Health Ministry system

RIYADH, March 19 (SPA) — A new system designed to reorganize the Health Ministry and establish two new agencies which will oversee executive, planning and development matters was announced Saturday. Several departments have been renamed in accordance with their functions in the fields of protection, treatment and non-medical support services.

According to acting Health Minister Dr. Ghazi Al-Gosaibi, royal approval has been granted for reorganization efforts proposed by the Higher Administration Reform Committee.

In an interview with SPA, the minister said the royal approval is based on King Fahd's and Crown Prince Abdullah's keenness to develop and provide the best medical services to all citizens in the Kingdom. He added that the new system of the Health Ministry aims to boost the administrative body by using the latest organizational methods linked with the administrative command unit to avoid duplication and facilitate contact between department heads and their subordinates.

The new system calls on the ministry's cen-

tral body to carry out general planning for medical and health services in the Kingdom in close cooperation with officials in various health fields, taking into account decentralization in implementation.

On this basis, Dr. Al-Gosaibi said, two agencies have been set up in the ministry, one entrusted with executive matters and the other with planning and development matters. He added that several departments have been renamed in accordance with their functions in the field of protection, treatment and non-medical supporting services. Great attention has been paid to the services of private hospitals and the drug sector in regard to licenses, technical control and medicine quality control.

Dr. Al-Gosaibi explained that in order to achieve efficiency and raise the standard of health and medical services, the new system adopts administrative levels suitable for each department in accordance with the size and kind of its responsibilities while stressing continuous supervision, control and guidance, starting with the central body and ending with public and private hospitals, clinics, laboratories and pharmacies.

### Fawzan, famous commentator, dies

JEDDAH, March 19 — Muhammad Al-Fawzan, a well-known Saudi Arabian commentator and radio and TV news broadcaster, died Saturday morning. He was buried in Makkah Saturday afternoon.

Fawzan was employed by Saudi, the national carrier and was working as general manager of the Marketing Sales Program. He began his career at the Ministry of Information as an English news announcer in the early sixties. His voice and personality endeared him to all.

Fawzan joined Saudi, the national carrier, late in 1972 and along the years progressed to his last position. An affable person, he got along well with all. He was also a great humanist and was a silent philanthropist. Shortly before his demise, he was engaged in a welfare project in Egypt.

Fawzan's death cast a pall of gloom and,



responsibility to help them find the right course. But, he added, the world economy is forcing many nations to reduce their foreign aid. He advocated establishing independent agencies in the various nations to help save the children by providing such basics as clean drinking water, medicine and clothing.

"What they need is good advice and they have to listen to that advice. Money is important, but it is not everything," the prince said.

He said Third World countries have to learn to help themselves, although he feels the world's developed nations have a

### BRIEFS

Pym to visit Kingdom

LONDON — Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al-Faisal declared here Friday that British Foreign Secretary Francis Pym will pay a visit to Saudi Arabia, *Al-Madinah* reported Saturday.

Sudanese minister

RIYADH (SPA) — Sudanese Education Minister Dr. Osman Sidhom Ismail arrived here Saturday as part of a one-week visit to Saudi Arabia. He was greeted by Higher Education Minister Hassan Al-Sheikh.

Duke of Kent

RIYADH (SPA) — The Duke of Kent, cousin of Queen Elizabeth of England, arrived here Saturday from Jeddah as part of his current visit to Saudi Arabia. He was greeted at the airport by Prince Sattam, deputy governor of Riyadh, and a number of high-ranking officials.

Book fair

JEDDAH (SPA) — A book fair organized by the College of Economics and Administration at King Abdul Aziz University was opened here Saturday.

### Prayer Times

Sunday	Makkah	Madinah	Riyadh	Dammam	Buraidah	Tahluk
Fajr (Dawn)	5:01	5:02	4:33	4:20	4:44	5:14
Dhuhr (Noon)	12:28	12:29	12:01	11:47	12:12	12:41
Asr (Afternoon)	3:53	3:55	3:27	3:14	3:38	4:08
Maghreb (Sunset)	6:33	6:33	6:05	5:52	6:16	6:46
Isha (Night)	8:03	8:03	7:35	7:22	7:46	8:16

Muhammad Al-Fawzan  
as the news spread, friends gathered to pay their final respects to a man whose humbleness and sincerity impressed all.

## Talal mounts aid campaign for UNICEF

NEW YORK, March 19 (AP) — For a rich man it may be easy to say money isn't everything. But Prince Talal ibn Abdul Aziz adds that more than money is needed to save starving children.

And it will take more than massive amounts of money to upgrade the living standards of many Third World countries, he said. "It's not a question of money, but it is a question of awareness... people have to care, they have to share the feelings of others," said the 51-year-old brother of King Fahd in an interview during a visit to New York.

His dark eyes flamed as he spoke of the 17 million children who died in Third World countries in 1981 and the 18 million who died last year. "I have seen the suffering children dying of diarrhea when 10 cents worth of medicine would have cured them," said the prince, the father of nine children.

The prince is a special envoy for the United Nations Children's Fund, or UNICEF, and in that role has collected more than \$40 million. He was in New York on Friday to meet with U.N. officials and others before traveling to Washington and Los Angeles, from where he will return home on March 25.

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Prince Talal

responsibility to help them find the right course. But, he added, the world economy is forcing many nations to reduce their foreign aid. He advocated establishing independent agencies in the various nations to help save the children by providing such basics as clean drinking water, medicine and clothing.

"What they need is good advice and they have to listen to that advice. Money is important, but it is not everything," the prince said.

He said some people are surprised a member of an Arab royal family would spend his time helping others. The prince said there is more to his world than camels and desert, but often people think that is all there is to his country.

## Britain's new budget fails to impress expatriates here

By Michael Cousins  
London Bureau

LONDON, March 19 — British nationals now residing in Saudi Arabia will receive only small benefits from last Tuesday's budget recommendations, while there are some inherent disadvantages.

Reaction in Britain was noticeable by its absence, the public read, digested and then immediately forgot everything about it, so dull were its contents. The average reaction here was that the new budget makes no appreciable difference in people's pockets.

British expatriates who have left their wives and families at home will be pleased that child benefits are to be increased by 11 percent in November to 6.50 pounds a week, but these figures are — as one management consultant dealing with expatriate labor in Saudi Arabia commented — "basically trifling."

Those who have left their wives behind will probably have to fund the extra cost of driving. There is 5 pounds on car road fund license and gasoline has risen 4 p. a gallon, together these measures are expected to net

the treasury 300 million pounds a year.

The only extra sum that nearly all Britons living in Saudi Arabia will have to pay is an extra 40 pence or so for their national insurance contributions, which rise by a quarter next month. It is estimated that about 9 percent of British expatriates in the Kingdom pay their national insurance.

The real significance of the budget for most Britons working in Saudi Arabia is probably the fact that it reflects growing optimism about Britain's economy as a whole.

In the past few days the almost ingrained sense of pessimism that has been seconder nature to the country's businessmen and economic analysts for the past few years seems to have floated away with the wind.

For those working in Saudi Arabia and banking their savings back in the U.K., the drop is bad news: the rate on deposits went down from 8 to 7 1/2 percent.

Andrew Young confer with mayor of Riyadh

RIYADH, March 19 (SPA) — The mayor of Atlanta City, Andrew Young, currently on a visit to the Kingdom, had a meeting here Saturday with the mayor of Riyadh, Abd al-Aziz Al-Nousair.

Nousair briefed the visitor on projects being carried out in the capital to ensure the welfare of citizens.

Young, former U.S. chief delegate to the United Nations, later toured the city and the planned diplomatic quarter as well as some of the projects under construction. The Atlanta mayor arrived here Friday night for a visit expected to last several days.

### Correction

The Saudi American Bank is a Saudi joint stock company, owned 60 percent by Saudi shareholders and 40 percent by Citibank, N.A. Hence, the bank's mention as a subsidiary company of the Saudi Technical Services and Trading in yesterday's *Arab News* is "untrue," according to Bank Public Affairs Director Ken Campbell. The error is regretted.

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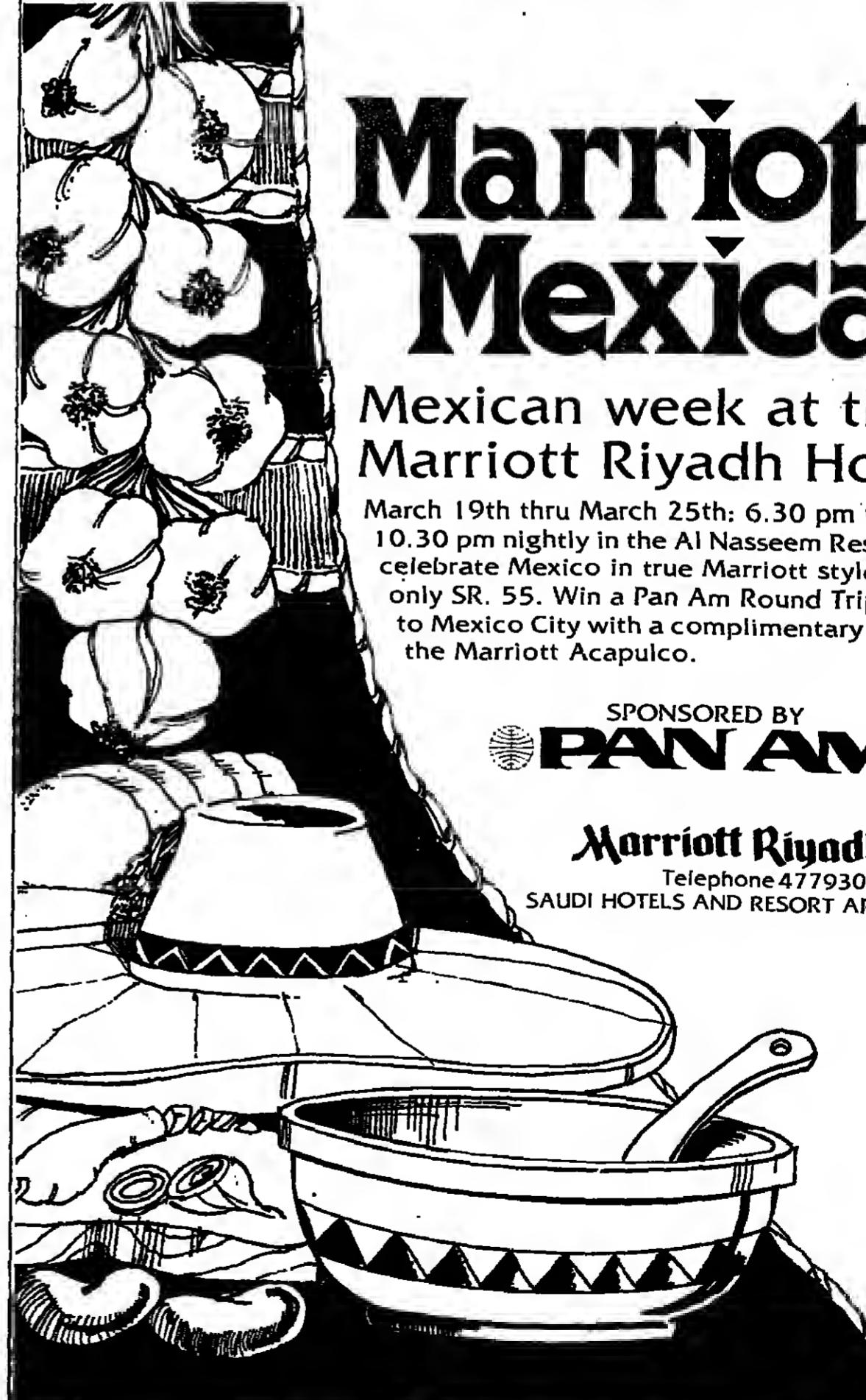
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## Manpower, Civil Service boards hold conference

By a Staff Writer

RIYADH, March 19 — Prince Sultan, the second deputy premier and minister of defense and aviation Saturday chaired a joint meeting of the Manpower Board and the Civil Service Board.

The meeting dealt with public sector manpower and the development of manpower in Saudi Arabia, in general. It also examined studies prepared and submitted by Saudi Arabian universities on the enhancement of the Kingdom's teaching policies.

Attending the meeting were Interior Minister Prince Naif, who is also the vice president of the Manpower Board; Deputy Interior Minister Prince Ahmad; Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al-Faisal; and Prince Turki Al-Faisal.

## Factory director vanishes after \$13.8m scam

JEDDAH, March 19 — A Saudi Arabian national has fallen victim to a crook from an Arab country who stole 80 million French francs (\$13.8 million) from a Paris bank and vanished.

*Al-Madinah* reported that a factory-owner in Taif gave power of attorney to the director of his plant. Although the document exclusively concerned factory administration, the director used it to borrow the money from a Paris bank.

The Taif Chamber of Commerce and Industry has taken a firm stance on the matter. The head of the legal department of the Jeddah Chamber of Commerce, Mustafa Sabri, took up the matter with the French commercial attaché when the French bank began requesting reimbursement for the loan from the Saudi Arabian businessman. Sabri pointed out to the attaché that the document had not been validated by the Saudi Arabian Embassy, the Foreign Ministry, or any legal authority except a court scribe in Taif.



Prince Sultan

## Computer model to be produced soon in Jeddah

DHAHRAN, March 19 (SPA) — Computer equipment and accessories will be manufactured at a new factory in Jeddah which was licensed last week by the Ministry of Industry and Electricity.

Dr. Rida Siraj Al-Thiqia, dean of the Higher Studies College at the University of Petroleum and Minerals (UPM), designed the first model of the Al-Farahi completely Arabic computer system.

The factory will begin actual production next year and is designed to have a production capacity of 2,500 computers per year. The factory, the first of its kind in the Arab and Islamic world will usher the Kingdom into the field of advanced technology.

MUSCAT, March 19 — (SPA) — Arab Gulf education ministers will start their seventh conference here on Tuesday to discuss the statute of the proposed Khalij (Gulf) University. The ministers will also discuss a report prepared by the Arab Education Bureau and the Executive Education Committee.

## Education talks begin on Tuesday

The impact of information on education and coordination between ministries of education and information in the Arab Gulf region will come under discussion. The conference's executive bureau began a two-day meeting here Saturday to prepare working papers and items on the meeting's agenda.

The conference agenda includes cooperation with the Islamic Organization for Education, Culture and Science, application of Hejira (Islamic) calendar and correspondence certificates granted by American universities. The parley is organized by the Arab Gulf Education Bureau.

## Mayr is new Meridien food, beverage manager

By a Staff Writer

JEDDAH, March 19 — What does a German do when he is appointed as a food and beverage manager? He just accepts the challenge.

And so has Gunter Helmut Mayr, the new food and beverage manager of the Al-Salam Meridien Hotel here.

Mayr, who has worked in international hotels for more than 12 years, is perhaps among the youngest in that position. He is 29. Mayr said ever since he left Munich in 1968, where his father and grandfather once owned a hotel, he has worked in different capacities in hotels in the United States, England, Italy, France. He was in a Damascus hotel for three years before he landed here.

"The Damascus experience gave me an idea about Oriental food," Mayr said adding, "this food will be made available as part of our room service soon."

Mayr has introduced new features in the hotel like the "Meridien on wheels," and spe-

cially evenings like Chinese night on Sundays, Italian night on Mondays, the barbecue night on Tuesdays and Wednesday, and Indian evening on Saturdays.



Gunter Mayr



(Photo by Gervasio Pasquale)

IDEAL HOME EXHIBITION: A 10-day Ideal Home and Consumer Goods Exhibition opened at the Jeddah Expo Center here on March 17. Over 120 national and international companies are displaying a wide range of products and the organizers expect nearly 40,000 visitors, this picture shows a part of the exhibition displaying carpets, chandeliers, dairy and other consumer products.

## Local importer held responsible for damages in video theft case

JEDDAH, March 19 — The entire responsibility for damages sustained when video sets imported from Japan were replaced with a shipment of adulterated salt will be assumed by the Saudi Arabian agent, according to *Al-Madinah*.

Eight containers belonging to three Saudi Arabian merchants were supposed to contain video and other electronic sets when they arrived recently from Japan at Jeddah Islamic Port. When one of the merchants opened a carton to reassure himself that everything was in order, he had the surprise of his life, for there was nothing but salt in the shipment.

And even the salt turned to be a blend of sodium chloride and a lot of sand. Experts then analyzed the salt and found out that it originated from Japan, Hong Kong and Singapore, which showed that not only fraud but sea piracy was involved in the affair. More important still, the company that shipped the items to Saudi Arabia was dissolved and had disappeared, leaving no trace whatsoever.

Mustafa Sabri, the head of the legal department of the Jeddah Chamber of Com-

merce and Industry, said that the insurance did not cover risks of fraud or theft. The policy was only useful in the case of fire or ship wreck. Therefore, the committee set up to investigate the matter decided that the Saudi Arabian agent who introduced the importers to the exporters will fully compensate the former. He, in turn, could follow the case with the Japanese or any other competent authorities to catch the international bandit and retrieve his rights from them.

Brig. Fadel said, however, that those arrested were always given a chance to collect their luggage or belongings and to retrieve compensation from companies or people they dealt with. They were then deported to their countries of origin in cooperation with Saudi Arabian Airlines (Saudia), he added.

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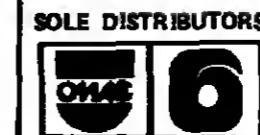
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## Greece seen hindering American aid to Turkey

NEW YORK, March 19 (AP) — "More military aid for Turkey will keep Russia at bay," an American business magazine says, and the U.S. Congress faces "a critical mid-March decision" concerning that question.

President Ronald Reagan's administration, *Business Week* notes in its issue dated March 28, "has boosted the military-bid request for Turkey's 500,000-member army to \$755 million this year from \$546.9 million in 1981 to keep Ankara's largely Korean-war vintage weapons from rusting into total obsolescence."

"The Turks...are crucial to Washington's worldwide strategy. Yet turning Turkey into a major player in halting Soviet imperialism has been stymied by hostile congressional reaction," the periodical says in its international outlook section.

"This is largely because of...the extraordinary power of the Greek lobby in Congress...This bloc is as potent as the Jewish lobby for Israel. The Pentagon is limited by the demand by congressional friends of Greece that seven dollars must be given to Athens for every ten dollars to Ankara. This year the argument is compounded by events in Athens, where Socialist Prime Minister Andreas Papandreou has been using U.S. NATO bases in Greece as a whipping boy."

"Despite the domestic political risks, Tur-

key's growing importance to U.S. strategy is forcing the Reagan administration to confront the issue. Staunch American defense of the military regime against criticism from other NATO partners has strengthened Ankara-Washington ties. This U.S. policy has proved justified, at least in the short term," *Business Week* says.

In another development, Turkish Foreign Minister Ihsan Turkmen said the Lebanese government had promised to take steps against Beirut-based Armenian guerrilla groups which have attacked Turkish diplomats around the world. He told reporters that during a visit to Beirut Thursday he told President Amin Gemayel that Turkey felt Lebanon should take action quickly against such groups. "President Gemayel responded positively," he added.

Meanwhile, in Ankara military authorities barred local media from reporting a wave of recent protest resignations from Turkey's universities and from publishing any unauthorized stories about a controversial government shake-up of the banking system.

In the last few weeks there have been regular reports of resignations by academics upset by the dismissal of some 200 of their colleagues over past two years in what many of them say is a politically-inspired purge.

KARACHI, March 19 (R) — Seven per-

sons have been killed in fighting set off by conflict between sects over ownership of a Karachi mosque, authoritative sources said Saturday. A curfew was imposed in Liaquatabad area following the incident.

The violence flared again Saturday morning when 1,000 persons rampaged through streets stoning cars and setting fire to a cinema. Police used teargas to break up the crowds. The sources said police arrested 110 persons after raiding a meeting hall used by the Shiites.

The fresh violence followed fighting Friday night between several thousand Shiites and Sunnis. The sources said seven persons had died and 50 were injured in running battles between the two sects and paramilitary police.

There was similar trouble last month when six persons were killed and part of Karachi, Pakistan's largest city, was put under a military-enforced curfew.

The meeting hall raided Saturday is located near the disputed mosque. The sources said the police raiders confiscated 17 acid-filled bottles, 26 knives, four pistols and a quantity of bullets.

Eyewitnesses said many photographs of Iranian leader Ayatollah Khomeini were found by police in the hall.

During last month's troubles, Sunni lead-

**Libya reiterates**

**claim on Aouzou**

UNITED NATIONS, March 19 (R) — Libya has denied Chadian allegations of aggression but reiterated its claim to the disputed Aouzou region.

Libya's United Nations representative Ali Treiki dismissed the charges in a letter to the President of the Security Council, Sir John Thomson of Britain who has been conferring on a Chadian request for a meeting on Libya's role in the Central African country.

The government of President Hissene Habre had accused Libya of repeated acts of aggression and of occupying the uranium-rich Aouzou strip of Chad for the last 10 years. No date has yet been set for the meeting.

Treiki said his country had no ambitions on the territory of other countries but would not relinquish an inch of its own.

"The Aouzou sector is an integral part of Libyan territory, its inhabitants are Libyans and they have held Libyan identity cards since independence," he added.

Treiki said Chad's request for a council meeting was an interference in Libya's internal affairs and an unfriendly act.

Chad's aim was to divert world opinion from fighting in the country between the "rebel forces controlling the capital" and what he called the forces of the legitimate government, led by ousted Libyan-backed President Goukouni Oueddei.

### BRIEFS

BEIRUT (R) — Two suitcases full of explosives were found at the Libyan Embassy in Beirut Saturday and defused by army experts, security sources said. The Libyan Embassy, in a coastal suburb of the city, has been deserted since it was damaged by Israeli shelling during last summer's siege of Beirut.

ISLAMABAD (R) — Afghan President Babrak Karmal said Friday his country was ready for serious negotiations when U.N.-sponsored talks resume next month about the future of Afghanistan, Radio Kabul reported. In a broadcast monitored here Karmal said the talks, due to start in Geneva on April 11, should settle the political conditions around Afghanistan to stop interference in its affairs.

NICOSIA, (AP) — Iraqi war planes attacked Iranian troops positions and concentrations Friday in the northern sector of the battlefield in Western Iran, Baghdad radio reported.

UNITED NATIONS, (R) — The Secretaries General of the United Nations and the Arab League will meet in the first week of July at the latest to discuss increased cooperation between the two organizations, the league's U.N. observer said. The U.N. General Assembly has adopted several resolutions endorsing close cooperation between the U.N. and the league.

ANKARA (R) — A group of 44 persons, including a former provincial police chief and an army colonel, appeared in a military court in Ankara Friday charged with involvement in an arms smuggling and bribery ring.

CAIRO (AP) — Portuguese President Antonio Ramalho Eanes arrived Saturday on a five-day state visit at President Hosni Mubarak's invitation. It is the first visit to Egypt by a Portuguese president.

## Jewish state's intransigence blocks M.E. peace efforts

LONDON, March 19 (R) — Six months after President Reagan and Arab countries announced path-breaking plans for Middle East peace, negotiations to settle the Arab-Israeli conflict are no nearer.

Arab-British talks in London Friday rounded off an Arab League campaign to brief world leaders on Arab peace proposals worked out last September at Fez, Morocco.

Two weeks earlier, President Reagan had announced his own plan to bring durable peace to a region torn by conflict for the past 35 years.

Both plans provided for different types of Palestinian administration in Israeli-held territories and showed promise of forming a basis for a compromise Middle East settlement. But six months of tortuous diplomacy have done little to further either scheme.

Concern is growing that both may be heading for a well-stocked dustpile of abortive Middle East peace efforts unless ways are found soon to break a wall of Israeli resistance which Washington seems unable to budge.

Reagan's proposals won a measure of Western support because they contained a new U.S. formula — Palestinian self-rule in association with Jordan in the West Bank of the Jordan and Gaza Strip — and called for Israeli withdrawal from these territories captured in 1967.

Most Arab countries rejected the U.S. plan because it stopped short of their cherished goal of an independent Palestinian state. But King Hussein of Jordan welcomed the Reagan Plan and the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) guardedly agreed to give it a chance.

They are worried about Washington's apparent inability to change Israel's stand,

and the probability that Arab attitudes will harden if it persists.

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Lebanese talks aimed at securing a withdrawal of Israeli and other foreign forces

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QUEEN WELCOMES KHALIDI: Queen Elizabeth seen receiving Friday Khalid bin Khalil who is representing the Palestinians in the Arab League team holding talks on the Middle East peace plan with the British government. In a TV interview broadcast in London Friday night Khalid said the United States should show "its determination and its seriousness of purpose" in seeking a Middle East settlement by putting pressure on Israeli Premier Menachem Begin.

The Arab League's own proposals were widely hailed as a step forward because they implied collective recognition of Israel's right to exist.

It appeared as though the two plans might give new momentum to the stalled Middle East peace process. But initial optimism has proved unfounded, and supporters of both sets of proposals feel time is running out.

They are concerned that Arab readiness to explore peace avenues is being undermined by Israel's forging ahead with intensified Jewish settlement of the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

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pursuing the peace process want action before Washington becomes too preoccupied by the run-up to the 1984 presidential election.

The next moves could follow London talks, which end a series of meetings in which the Arab League has explained the Fez proposals to the five permanent members of the United Nations Security Council.

Jordan and the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) have already discussed the outline of a future Palestinian-Jordanian confederation in the West Bank in the framework of president Reagan's plan.

The next step is a decision on who should speak on behalf of the Palestinians, dispersed throughout the Arab world, in any future negotiations. Because the United States does not recognize the PLO, efforts have been centered on forming a joint delegation of Jordanian and Palestinian envoys led by King Hussein.

## Brzezinski says Begin gave in to Carter's threat

WASHINGTON, March 19 (Agencies) — Former U.S. President Jimmy Carter threatened to cut off aid to Israel in 1977 and Prime Minister Menachem Begin vowed at Camp David in 1978 he would never dismantle Jewish settlements in Sinai, former National Security Adviser Zbigniew Brzezinski says.

In his memoirs, Brzezinski writes that Carter warned Israel in a message that "we would halt all military aid" unless military operations in Lebanon were halted immediately.

The next morning, Brzezinski says, Begin agreed to withdraw. "I was much encouraged by this incident, for I felt that it indicated that a firm and clear position by the United States could be sustained, provided that we persisted," Brzezinski writes.

The next year, at Camp David, Brzezinski says Begin told him "he would not agree to remove Jewish settlements from the Sinai."

"My right eye will fall out, my right hand will fall off before I ever agree to the dismantling of a single Jewish settlement," he quotes Begin as saying.

Shortly afterward, Begin agreed to remove the settlers before returning the Sinai to Egypt. "It reconfirmed my view that Begin can be both pressured and enticed," Brzezinski writes.

Meanwhile, Carter arrived in Morocco Saturday for a two-day private visit on his way home from a Middle East tour. He is due to meet King Hassan in the city of Fez Sunday before returning to the U.S.

Earlier in Damascus Carter said Jordan and the Palestinians would greatly strengthen Washington's hand in dealing with Israel if they said they were willing to join Middle East peace talks. He was speaking at a press conference at the end of a visit to Syria Friday.

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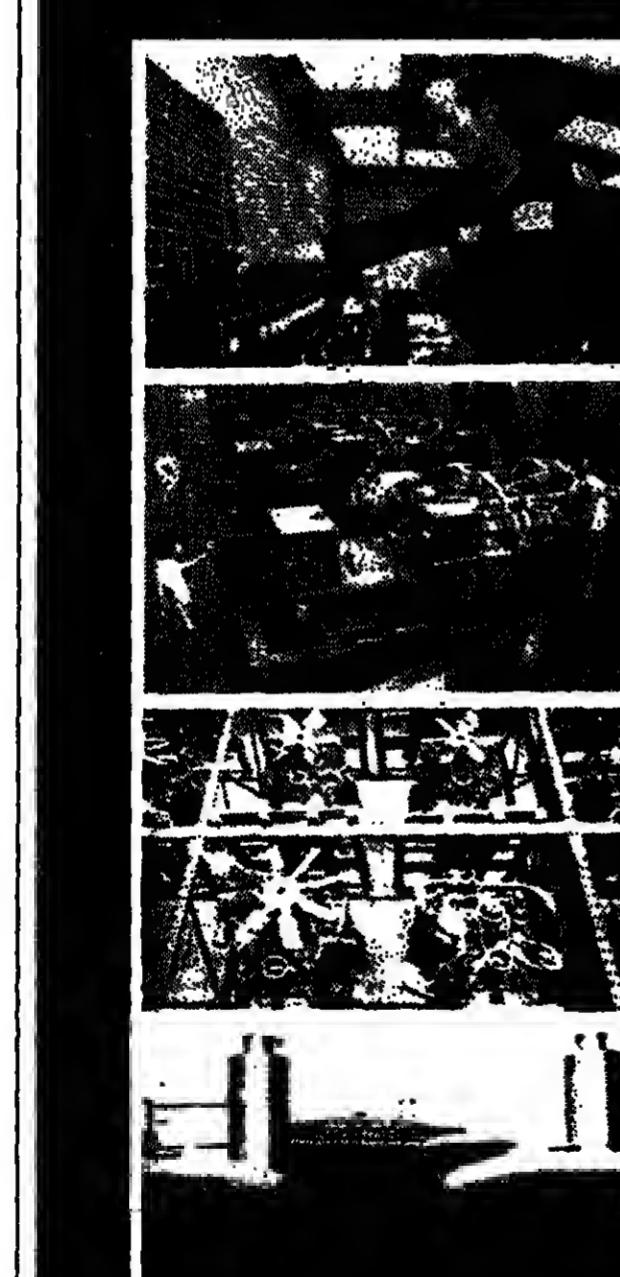
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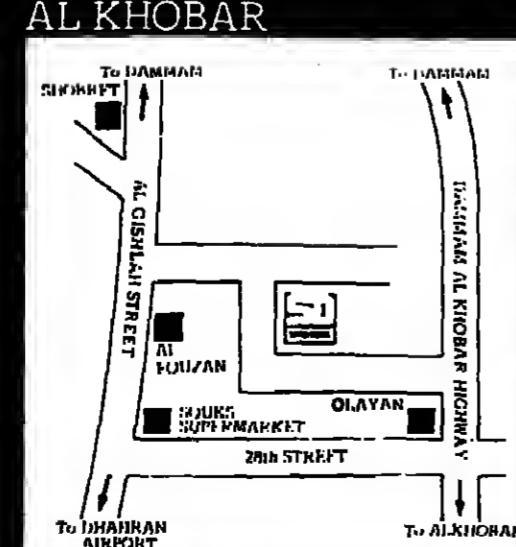
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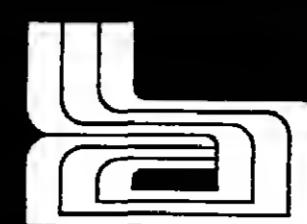
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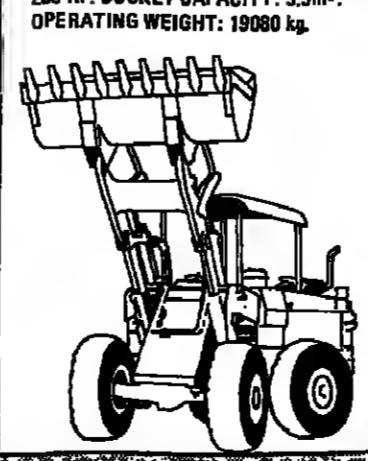
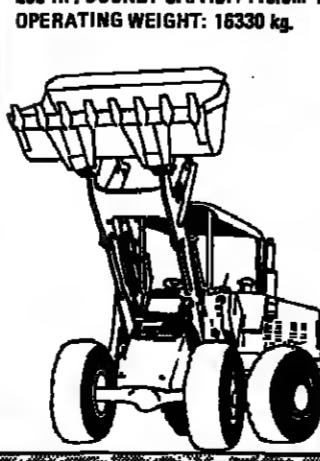
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# Another 5 sentenced to die in Guatemala

GUATEMALA CITY, March 19 (AP) — Five Guatemalans, including two former members of the army, have been tried and sentenced to death by a secret tribunal that found them guilty of murder and multiple counts of rape, kidnapping and robbery.

The judicial decision announced Friday night did not set a date for executions of the five as their case will be heard by an appellate court before the sentence can be carried out, a statement from the presidential press office said.

It said the five were convicted of a long list of crimes including the Feb. 3 stabbing death of an army officer on a subsequent attack on a woman that has left her "between life and death" at a hospital here.

In addition to beating the woman "savagely" after robbing her home, the assailants shot her in the face, the press bulletin said.

The convicted men were identified as Mario Ramiro Martinez Gonzalez, Rony Alfredo Martinez Gonzalez, Otto Virula

## Newsweek report defended

JOHANNESBURG, March 19 (Agencies) — Holger Jensen, Johannesburg bureau chief of the U.S. news magazine *Newsweek* defended his view that the quality of life of most South African blacks had deteriorated under Prime Minister Pieter Botha.

His strong criticism of South Africa, which *Newsweek* featured as its cover story in its latest edition, provoked a virulent reaction from the government. Press reports Friday quoted Jensen as saying that a government representative had warned him that the article could have unspecified "serious repercussions."

Jensen was recently expelled from Zimbabwe over a story he wrote on violence in the southwest province of Matabeleland, and observers said he could end up being ordered out of South Africa as well. Jensen, who was wounded several times in the Vietnam War, was also thrown out of the Soviet Union 18 months after going to Moscow for the Associated Press news agency.

He conceded that the article had contained a number of errors, which he put down to printing or editing the original text. But he stuck by his opinion that there had been no real improvement in South Africa for blacks.

The protests over the *Newsweek* story, titled "Apartheid's harsh new grip" followed close on the security police raid on the offices of Allister Sparks, former editor of *The Rand Daily Mail* and now a correspondent for *The Washington Post* and the London *Observer*.

The police said Sparks had broken South African law by quoting a "banned" person, Winnie Mandela, wife of jailed African National Council leader Nelson Mandela. Another journalist, Bernard Simon of Associated Press, faces charges of obstruction.

### Shuttle to fly April 4

CAPE CANAVERAL, Florida, March 19 (R) — The space shuttle *Challenger* will make its long-delayed first voyage on April 4, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) announced. The flight of the problem-plagued shuttle, originally scheduled for Jan. 20, will be the sixth in the series. The launch will take place at 1830 GMT, the announcement said.

NASA officials made the announcement after reviewing the condition of the *Challenger*'s engines — which underwent repairs after the discovery of cracks and have been exhaustively tested since being reinstalled in the shuttle. Contamination of a tracking and relay satellite to be carried by the *Challenger* has also delayed the launch.

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Ayala and former army members Jesus Enrique Velasquez Gutierrez and Julio Cesar Herrera Cardona.

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Under a state of national emergency in effect since July 1, people suspected of involvement with leftist guerrillas or terrorist groups in general are tried by secret tribunals and subject to death sentences for kidnapping, murder or terrorism.

Since last September, 10 persons have been executed by firing squads after they were convicted of terrorist-related crimes by the tribunals.

The latest executions, involving six convicted terrorists, took place March 3, three days before Pope John Paul II visited this nation as part of his nine-day tour of Central America. The pope had made a personal plea for mercy for the six.

Reports from Moroni said that the stolen aircraft had crash-landed and the fugitives had sought asylum, but the Comoran authorities declined to make any decision until they had sought more information from Tanzania.

It was the second time in a year that Tanzanians had sought asylum abroad by hijacking an aircraft. Early last year five men aged between 20 and 27 forced a Boeing 737 to fly to Britain, via a number of African and Middle East countries. The five, who claimed membership of a previously unknown Revolutionary Youth Movement of Tanzania, sought political asylum after surrendering to the British authorities but were later tried for piracy and jailed.

Four other Tanzanians, suspected of having had prior knowledge of the hijacking plot, are currently on trial at Tanzania's Lake Victoria shore town of Mwanza for allegedly aiding the hijackers.

FALLSTON, Maryland (AP) — H. Keffer Hardine, a Nobel laureate known for his research on the retina, died here Friday of an apparent heart attack. He was 79. A former Rockefeller University professor, Hardine received the Nobel Prize for physiology in 1967. In research extending over half a century, Hardine made many discoveries on the electrical activities of the optic nerve.

LA PAZ (AFP) — Ten persons were known dead and at least 15 were missing in southeastern Bolivia Friday after heavy rains in the Santa Cruz region turned the Piray River into a flooding torrent. Reports from Santa Cruz said there had been heavy damage to the region's sugarcane crops and housing. Bridges carried away by the flood left the area largely cut off from the rest of the country.

## 6 Tanzanians seek asylum

DARESSALAAM, March 19 (AFP) — The Tanzanian government admitted that six junior airmen had sought political asylum in the Indian Ocean Comoros Islands after stealing a light military aircraft from southern Tanzanian air port of Mtwaru.

A statement issued here Friday by the Tanzanian Foreign Office said that the plane, commanded by trainee pilot Pascal Maganga Nzuki, flew to the Comoran capital of Moroni early Thursday, and the Comoran authorities were conducting an investigation into the incident.

Arrangements are understood to be under way to return the Tanzanian Cessna 310, which belong to the Tanzanian defense forces. "Consultations are still continuing between our two governments over the issue," the statement added.

The five other fugitives were all aircraft technicians. The Tanzanian government was officially informed of the incident by the Comoran authorities earlier Friday.

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Meanwhile, the International Federation of Journalists Friday protested against the "harassment" of newsmen by the South African government.

MANAGUA (AFP) — Special police reinforcements have linked up with embattled Nicaraguan troops fighting "counter-revolutionary" forces in the northern part of the country. Interior Minister Tomas Borge announced Friday, Rafael Cordova Rivas, of the ruling Sandinista junta, said some 1,500 armed supporters of the late Nicaraguan dictator Anastasio Somoza had recently invaded Nicaragua from bases in Honduras but that the armed forces "have the situation under control."

LA PAZ (AFP) — President Hernan Siles Zuazo, a civilian who assumed office last October after 10 years of military rule in Bolivia, condemned military dictatorships Friday when he opened a Latin-American conference here on democracy and human

rights. The call came as more than 100 delegates and guests from 20 countries began a two-day meeting on how to end dictatorships in Latin America and bring about a return to democracy throughout the region. Among those taking part are Argentine Nobel Peace Prize laureate Adolfo Perez Esquivel, Guillermo Ungo, head of the Revolutionary Democratic Front of El Salvador, and former Venezuelan President Carlos Andres Perez.

GENEVA (R) — A new ship-to-shore distress call system to be implemented in the 1990s will save many of the 10,000 lives lost every year at sea, a United Nations agency said. Up to now, distress calls have mainly been sent from ship to ship within a limited radius. Capt. Victor Winkelmann, chairman of a radiocommunications conference, told reporters,

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## Rights group accuses Marcos of 'ethnocide'

LONDON, March 19 (AFP) — The Anti-Slavery Society has accused Philippines President Ferdinand Marcos of practicing a policy of "ethnocide" against minority peoples occupying lands sought by business interests. The charge was made in a major report published by the 142-year-old society, the world's oldest human rights organization.

It said that 6.5 million Filipinos belonging to 50 indigenous minorities were under threat of extinction because they lived on lands rich in resources which political and financial interests wanted to exploit.

Although these areas in remote parts of the Philippines were the ancestral lands of indigenous peoples, the occupants were treated as squatters, the 192-page report said. They were "victims of both individual and systematic discrimination," it said.

"They stand isolated and vulnerable — vulnerable in particular to seizure of their land and abuse of their rights by forces of big business in cooperation with a Philippine

Report alleges

authorities not obeying international human rights agreements."

He said there had been no significant improvement in conditions since the lifting of martial law last December "and in some cases things are worse." Milewski told journalists the 600-page report was drawn up by hundreds of lawyers and trade unionists in Poland who risked up to 15 years in jail for activities against the state.

Work began on the report last summer and it was received in Brussels, where Solidarity's overseas representation is based, early this month, he said. Translations would be available in about two weeks.

East-West differences over human rights at the conference were worsened by the imposition of martial law in Poland in December 1981 and have been largely responsible for dragging out debate here.

Milewski said Solidarity activists sacked from state industry and unable to get jobs had been arrested under an "anti-parasite" law passed the day martial law was lifted.

## Youth admits imitating Dali

MADRID, March 19 (R) — A young Catalan artist claimed to have painted 400 works in the style of surrealist painter Salvador Dali since 1975, signing Dali's name on

Manuel Pujol Baladas, 35, said Friday in an interview with the news magazine *Cambo* 16 that his works were bought by a Barcelona dealer at 15,000 pesetas (\$120) a piece. "Since 1975, there is more of my graphic work — watercolors, gouaches and drawings — in the market than Dali's, some 400 works of mine against some 100 of his own," Pujol said.

He estimated he had painted about 300 oils compared to between 40 and 50 legitimate Dali's in the same period. The painter said he only realized where his work was going in 1981 when he saw two of his paintings in a catalog printed by a London auction house. He then immediately stopped producing the imitations.

Pujol said he only decided to talk after Dali's wife Gala and dealer Georges Val — both of whom he believed were aware of the fraud — died in 1982. He said he did not think Dali himself was aware of what was going on.

"My imitations were based on my own motives, and I dare say there is a stage in Dali's work, compositions on the sea and the mountains at Port Ligat with the outline of human faces, that is an exclusive creation of mine," Pujol said.

### Zaire cabinet shuffled

KINSHASA, March 19 (AFP) — Zaïre President Mobutu Sese Seko carried out a major government reshuffle Friday, replacing five ministers and increasing the cabinet by two. The announcement followed the weekly cabinet meeting chaired by Marshal Mobutu, which lasted only five minutes.

The changes include the replacement of the general planning commissariat by a planning ministry, the reappearance of a general commissariat for tourism headed by Ndjoli Balanga, who has already held the same post in previous years, and the splitting of the ministry of public health and social affairs into two separate departments.

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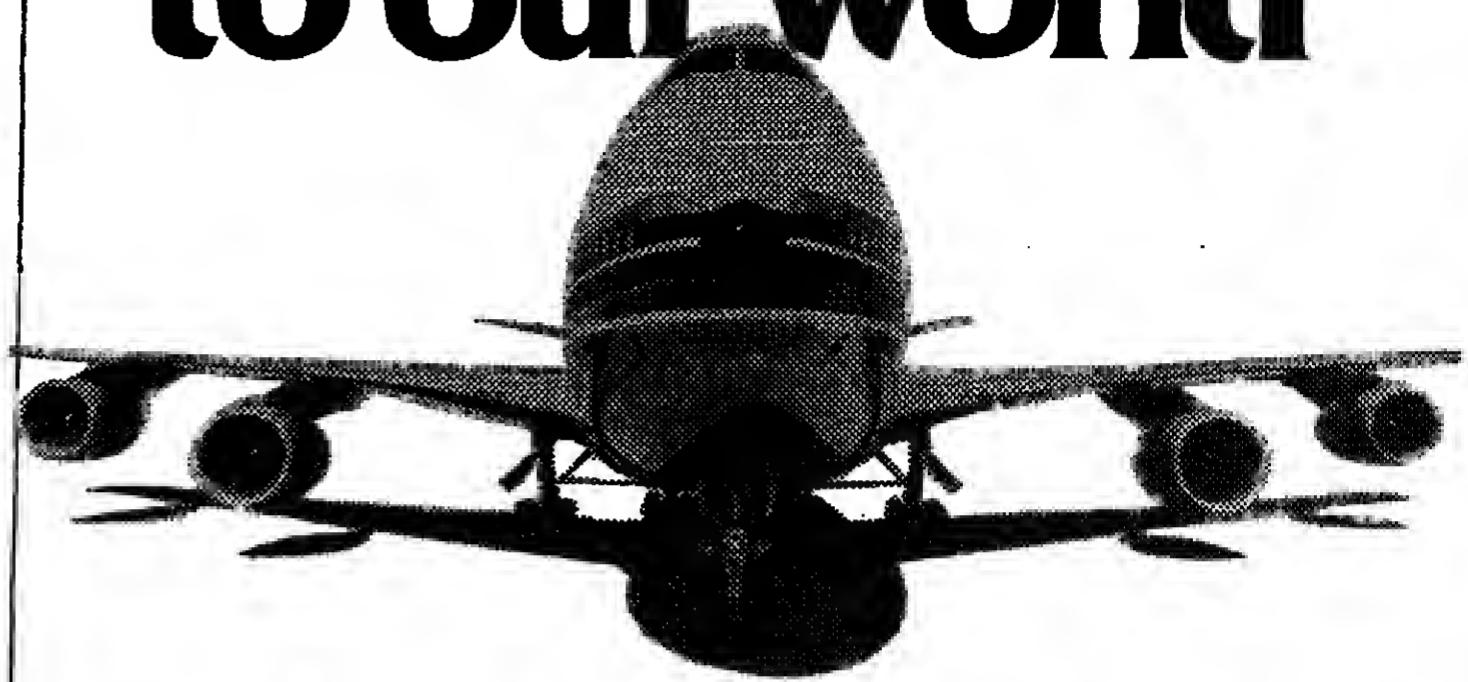


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## VICTORY FOR COMPROMISE

After all the problems and delays, the Arab League delegation finally arrived in London Thursday to explain to the British government the Middle East peace plan put forward at last September's Fes summit. Somewhat late, of course, considering that a lot of water has flowed underneath the bridge since then — but that was hardly the Arabs' fault.

Everyone must be delighted that the mission has now finally taken place. Not only has it taken the sting out of what threatened to become a festering wound in Arab-British relations, it has turned out to be something of a moral victory for the Arabs which can be exploited to good advantage.

Britain's prime minister, Mrs. Thatcher, who has been assiduously wooed by the Jewish lobby recently, came out strongly in support of Palestinian self-determination at Downing Street lunch for the mission on Friday and on the same day Francis Pym, the foreign secretary, was to be seen on British television praising Arab statesmanship and the peace plan — contrasting them with Israel's continued occupation in Lebanon.

But only hours before the mission arrived, there were many voices opposed to it being sent. To do so, they said, would be to give in to Mrs. Thatcher's intolerable — and for many, insulting — demands of the PLO. It was her sudden refusal to accept a PLO representative that caused the delays in the first place.

Mrs. Thatcher does have the right, of course, like any other leader, to decide on whom she wants to see. No one disputes this. But faced with such grim determination on the make-up of the mission, it was the Arabs who had to make all the compromises.

On the face of it, it seems that Mrs. Thatcher had her own way. Walid Khalidi, the Palestinian representative in the group, is not a member of the PLO, though he is a member of the Palestine National Council. But few were taken in by this diplomatic nicely. Everyone knew that as an adviser to the PLO chairman, Khalidi was there not merely with Yasir Arafat's blessing but under his actual direction.

The decision to include Khalidi was both wise and shrewd, although it was not finally decided until a couple of days before the group arrived in London. He hit the right note in meetings with both Mrs. Thatcher and Francis Pym, taking a prominent part, and Mrs. Thatcher warmed to him. This should be very valuable in future. Once she takes to somebody, she stands by them regardless of what others say. The "others" in this case will be the Americans and the Israelis.

The importance of this is that although Washington is the key to the Middle East, Britain is still very much a key to Washington; both the administration and American public opinion set greater store on what the British think and say than on anyone else in the world. This is why there has been such intense lobbying going on in London between the Palestinians and the Israelis. By undertaking the mission in the face of Mrs. Thatcher's apparent intransigence and including Walid Khalidi in it, another victory has been notched up for the Palestinians in the lobby war in London.

Nor should it be forgotten that the victory was won by the practitioners of compromise and moderation. Mrs. Thatcher may have tried to set the tone of the mission by insisting that no PLO member be included but in the end she has still been wooed in the very direction she did not intend to take. One has to consider that it might not have happened had there been a proper PLO representative in the group; she would have then been much more on guard.

The lesson is clear: compromise is still a winner for those who practice it — especially when it comes to international relations.

## Saudi Arabian press review

Most of the newspapers Saturday with the current visit of the Arab League peace mission to London and expressed the hope that Britain, together with its EEC partners, could play a positive role in reaching a just and durable solution for the Arab-Israeli conflict.

*Al-Kawn* stressed that the Palestine cause "is the crux of the conflict" and hence the importance of the mission which was trying to gain support for the Arab Middle East plan adopted at the summit last year.

*Al-Bilad* described the materialization of the much-postponed trip to London as a testimony of success for Arab



## Palestine issue calls for international action

By Hugh Carleton  
Special to Arab News

LONDON — The Middle East situation is now much more dangerous than ever. The present Israeli government, in spite of serious misgivings and opposition amongst its own people and in defiance of world opinion, presses on with policies of aggression and repression.

But President Reagan is apparently unable to stop Prime Minister Begin who is enabled and encouraged to pursue his policies by continuing massive supplies of American arms and money. These are consequently two overriding factors in the Middle East situation — Israeli obstinacy and apparent American helplessness. One result is that the attempt to persuade King Hussein to intervene obviously cannot succeed while Begin persists in accelerating the colonization of the West Bank.

Another obvious result is that moderate opinion amongst the Palestinians, which would be very strongly encouraged if there were any prospect of Palestinian self-determination in a homeland of their own, is discouraged and confused. So now all roads to peaceful settlement seem blocked and the prospect of more terrible conflict looms ahead, with the fear of superpower confrontation.

What alternative can there be to rapid drift to

disaster? I suggest that the hope must be in international intervention. The world *danger* is now too great to be left in the hands of the United States alone. President Reagan's September declaration had much to commend it. It had one main fault, and that a vital one. It offered the Palestinians "self-government" but denied them the right of self-determination. How self-government can be granted without self-determination may well be regarded as quite ridiculous, but the attempted distinction is nevertheless fundamental. The Palestinians can never be expected to accept a homeland in which they could decide their own future. But it is no good arguing now about the terms of President Reagan's September declaration. It was totally rejected by the Begin government and the creation of new settlements on the West Bank has not been stopped; it has been speeded up.

So what can be done now? I suggest that the situation is now so serious and so dangerous and so urgent that drastic international action is now essential. And I believe that international agreement is attainable on what should be done. A good start would be to approve the resolution put forward in the Security Council some time ago by France and Egypt calling for mutual recognition between Israel and the Palestinians, and for the right of all states in the area to live in security.

Then there could be a restatement of the basic provisions of the unanimous Resolution 242 of 1967 — "inadmissibility of acquisition of territory by war" and withdrawal from territories occupied by Israel in the 1967 conflict and "acknowledgment of the sovereignty territorial integrity and political independence of every state in the area and their right to live in peace within secure and recognized boundaries free from threats or acts of force."

What should be added? Provision for Palestinian self-determination in their own homeland (within the 1967 boundaries subject to detailed negotiation on the frontier). These purposes are already widely accepted. I suggest that they should now be internationally endorsed to bring freedom to the Palestinians in their own homeland and security to Israelis in theirs. And the backing of overwhelming international agreement would justify the strongest measures to give effect to the concerted decisions of the United Nations.

The all-important question is whether the United States government will be prepared to participate in such an international endeavor to save the Middle East from further suffering and future conflict. The United States government will need some convincing, to say the least. The Reagan regime has not willingly sought agreement and action in the United Nations. It does not welcome Soviet participation in the Security Council. But the alternative of deadlock and conflict in the Middle East is now so dreadful that President Reagan may be persuaded to think again.

The secretary-general of the United Nations has warned in his first annual report that we are "perilously near a new international anarchy". He says of the permanent members of the Security Council "whatever their relations may be outside the United Nations, the permanent members, which have special rights and special responsibilities under the charter, share a sacred trust that should not go by default owing to their bilateral difficulties" and he wisely adds "the best resolution in the world will have little practical effect unless governments of member states follow it up with appropriate support and action."

The mounting dangers in the Middle East are now so near that neither superpower nor no other permanent member of the Security Council can escape from "the sacred trust" to work with the others for a peaceful settlement. And then having confirmed agreement, they must surely "follow it up with appropriate support and action". Such a settlement by international action would be the best thing for both the security of Israelis and the freedom of Palestinians and for the peace of all the Middle East. It would also be the best thing for the reputation of the United States and for the authority of the United Nations.

## America seeking propaganda gains in El Salvador

By Christopher Dickey

BERLIN, EL SALVADOR — The outstretched hands of the U.S. Agency for International Development (AID) are everywhere in this shell-shocked city.

Less than six weeks after Berlin was laid waste by government rockets and guerrilla torches, the red, white and blue AID project signs — tidily painted symbols of the Americanization of the war — mark it as a new model of Washington's efforts to set things straight in El Salvador. The United States and the government it backs in this country are planning what they hope will be a decisive campaign of military and civic action here in Usulutan province and nearby San Vincente. Although Berlin is not part of the grand strategy, which probably will not begin for several more weeks or possibly months, its reconstruction is clearly intended to show right away what Washington can do when it decides to do good.

Mayor Santiago Yazbek is clearly pleased with the latest turn of events. He expects \$3 million to be pumped into this town of, at most, 40,000 persons, over the next few months. The American ambassador heliocoptered in last week (landing in the cemetery) to pay his respects, and even before that an influential member of the U.S. Congress had dropped by to see what bad happened here and what was required.

"The most famous mayor in El Salvador is out in the street sleeping on a borrowed bed," Yazbek said in response to a bit of flattery. His home was burned by the rebels. "But we are struggling and we have sources of work now, which is what we need." One AID public health program is busily cleaning out stagnant water and exhuming about 15 corpses, mostly soldiers, hastily buried around the city during the fighting. But there is also AID money for rubble removal, for building sewers and rain water collection systems and new housing, among other things. Some of the construction had been on

local drawing boards for years but had been stalled for lack of funds until now.

A showcase enterprise is the Clarence D. Long Nursery School and Kindergarten. A three-room brick affair, it was built on a site where there were "only some refugee houses," before, according to the construction supervisor. It is named for the Maryland Democratic Congressman who heads the Foreign Operations Subcommittee of the House Appropriations Committee and makes crucial determinations about aid to this country. He visited here late last month and some State Department officials say the experience "turned him around" from opposition to support for more assistance to El Salvador.

None of the workmen or passers-by are quite sure who this Clarence D. Long (Klarens Deh Long as they read the name from the sign) might be. "A gringo" asks one. "Some important personage who's figured in things..." opines another.

With Yazbek and the rest of the town fully aware that there are large guerrilla concentrations still in the immediate area, there is not much confidence that all this will last. Asked how long the school would stand, for instance, the construction supervisor smiled and said, "Oh, until the muchachos (guerrillas) come back and blow it up."

Berlin is the second-largest town in Usulutan province, one of the richest regions in the country and the scene of some of the guerrillas' greatest

military advances over the last few months. When the Salvadoran Army made the mistake in early February of massing all of its combat units in distant Morazan province, the guerrillas hit Berlin's little garrison, took the town and held it for more than three days before the army could respond effectively on the ground.

In the meantime, the Salvadoran Air Force blasted rockets in suspected rebel hiding places in and around the city, bringing a new level of terror to the war here. The whole battle was a major psychological victory for the rebels, who had not only succeeded in outmaneuvering the army, but in seizing a hitherto relatively prosperous coffee town where many of the most wealthy people in the country have family roots, and, in some cases, still maintain homes.

The rebuilding of Berlin is now proceeding with startling speed, but as the money starts arriving, so have a number of problems that some officials fear could come to plague the even more ambitious programs yet to come. Most of the money is to be disbursed through the government's existing credit agencies. The interest rate currently being asked is 13 percent with two years of grace and 15 years more to pay.

"We want soft loans," said Yazbek. "If AID wants to help us, they have to give us 5 percent; 13 percent is very expensive." At the moment, there are about 750 persons, mostly refugees, employed by the AID projects. Of those, a third are receiving

the equivalent of \$3.20 a day, while the rest are supposed to get \$1.60, plus food, according to the mayor. This part of the plan is intended, as one military officer put it, "to get these people off the streets and earning their beans."

But a group of workmen scraping up rubble and tearing down the remains of blown-away walls in the city center gathered around visiting journalists to complain. They said they had been working at the \$6 rate for three weeks now, that some of them had not been paid at all yet, and none have received the promised food. A pair of national policemen walked up to the edge of the group, and their presence dispersed it along with its complaints.

The military is supposed to be playing a major role in the reconstruction, improving its badly tarnished image through shiny new public works. But Yazbek said that thus far there has not been much coordination. The army civic action teams "come by surprise, collaborate with us, leave by surprise. They don't tell us when." This is the week of the town's festival and most offices are closed. Ricketty amusement park machinery has been trucked into the city and the townspeople are playing games of chance amid the ruins, tossing coins to win warm bottles of soda pop, pushing the carousel by hand because the motor doesn't work.

There is a lot of hope evident in this incongruous scene, but little apparent faith in the permanence of the peace that allows it. Although the government and the U.S. Embassy have worked hard to turn the rebels' psychological victory into a propaganda defeat, neither the mayor, nor the manager of the bank who was "asked to cooperate" by the heavily armed insurgents and open the vault for them, nor the owners of several local stores spoke critically of the rebels, who might come back anytime. (WP)

## Sayings of the past week

It's very much like working class politics anywhere, except that there are Arnalites as well as ballpoint pens. — Joe Austin, North Belfast leader of Sinn Fein (the political arm of the IRA).

My greatest asset is that people would buy a used car from me. — Chancellor Helmut Kohl.

We have strong nerves and enough strength to stand up for our interests and the interests of our friends. Marshal Dmitri Ustinov, Soviet Defense Minister.

They are the focus of evil in the modern world. President Reagan, on the Soviet Union.

It is not nutmeg that is at stake in the Caribbean and Central America. It is the United States' national security. — President Reagan.

I could do very well in an election in Egypt. — Former President Jimmy Carter, Cairo.

What would I gain by being killed? It would make him more important than he is. — Prime Minister Robert Mugabe of Zimbabwe, on Joshua Nkomo.

It is surprising that when it comes to Zimbabwe, world attention is focused here but when church organizations and human rights are being violated in Northern Ireland, not much attention is given to it. — Enos Nkala, Zimbabwean Minister of National Supplies.

Flourshanks have been beaten into swords before but never with such devastating effect or with such lack of justification in peacetime. — Neil Kinnock MP, British opposition education spokesman, on defense spending.

To every visitor to Ireland I say go to the bogs: relieve the tensions of life there by shutting out the modern world of the Irish bog, with fragrance and the sound of water gurgling underneath your feet. — Andrew Pearce, British Member of the European Parliament.

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**Cairo moves to halt concrete avalanches**

By Patrick Massey

**CAIRO (R)** — On orders from President Hosni Mubarak, government officials are hastily drafting new rules to try to prevent more building collapses like those which have claimed at least 67 lives in Cairo this year.

Three large suburban apartment blocks have come tumbling down since January, crushing their occupants and anyone else in the path of the concrete avalanche. One of the victims was a junior government minister. All three disasters had a common factor — the landlord had topped up his property with unlicensed extra floors until the foundations gave way.

Cairo has long been a byword for building collapses. Even without the strain of an extra roof load, ramshackle houses frequently crumble away without any public attention. This type of collapse is usually less sudden and less lethal. But the spectacular destruction caused by piling on extra stories has created a public scandal in a city until recently not greatly given to airing its day-to-day problems.

At the root of the problem is the immense crush on housing in a metropolis where an estimated 14 million people jostle for scarce living space.

Any horizontal expansion of Cairo is limited by the surrounding desert. Nobody wants to live too far from the Nile and the amenities it brings.

The result has been a push upward in the slums, in business zones and in select residential areas. Rents have soared to the point where a landlord can achieve quick wealth by adding an extra four, five or six stories.

Obtaining a license for this can mean a lengthy struggle with bureaucracy and possibly expensive reinforcement of foundations. On the other hand, proceeding without a license has hitherto entailed little risk.

The laxity of building inspectors means the illegality may not even be noticed. If it is and the authorities decide to take action, ample delaying tactics are available in the courts. If convicted at the end of all this, the landlord



THE NILE: A view of the Nile River. The one single factor which prevents horizontal expansion of Cairo is that nobody wants to live too far from the Nile and the amenities it brings.

usually faces a small fine.

Because of this, buildings all over Cairo can be seen sprouting extra floors. And since building materials are expensive, quality standards are not always greatly observed.

The three collapses publicized this year were of buildings being extended without license. One was a 10-story building in relatively affluent Heliopolis. The others were in poorer districts, a five-story building in Shoubra and another in Basatin.

Forty persons including the landlord died at Basatin. At Heliopolis the building fell on a

neighboring villa and killed its occupant, the deputy minister for tourism, Abdul Aziz Radhi, as well as 17 others. At Shoubra nine persons died.

In all cases, prosecutions against the landlords had been making their leisurely way through the courts. Now a committee set up by Prime Minister Fuad Mehdiddin is devising rules to speed up court procedures, increase penalties and enable illegal structures to be torn down.

This may be too late to prevent further collapses. At least one other building in

Heliopolis, illegally extended from four stories up to nine, is believed in imminent danger of toppling over, according to newspaper reports.

Foreign construction experts say poor building methods in Cairo have left even some new buildings tilting out of true.

The *Egyptian Gazette* published a cartoon in which an opulent-looking man pointed to a leaning building and told inquiring policemen: "You should reward our engineer and turn the area into a tourist site, like Pisa."

**Aliens' trickling back to Nigeria in search of jobs**

By Juliet Pearce and Eddie Iroh

**LAGOS (LOS)** — At Murtala Muhammad International Airport outside the Nigerian capital, a smartly uniformed policeman raised his stick. "You people behave yourselves or I'll pull you in," he told a group of newly arrived passengers from Ghana.

They stood patiently, full of trepidation, holding the yellow travel documents of the Economic Community of West African States, ECOWAS.

ECOWAS passes should entitle holders to enter any member state for up to 90 days. The passengers who were screened had come from the Ghanaian capital of Accra. Barely two months after being expelled in a dramatic exodus, the "aliens" are trickling back in search of their old jobs.

Why? Because, as 28-year-old factory worker Ebeneza Watawa put it, "here at least you can survive if you get a job. In Ghana there is no food and no jobs."

Being allowed into Nigeria is merely the first step. Finding a job can be much more difficult. Overcoming Nigerian hostility is a permanent and often humiliating problem.

The Nigerian government has realized that the mass expulsion of over a million "illegal immigrants" harmed a number of sectors of the country's ailing economy. That is why a number of skilled Ghanaians are being allowed to return. They are warned that if they intend to stay beyond the three-month period they should "regularize their situation."

In practical terms, that means it is up to their employers to apply for work permits on their behalf. Many employers will because a skilled worker is not easy to replace and those Ghanaians who are available usually demand much higher pay than the hapless Ghanaians.

To date, few of the 7,000 Ghanaians stevedores who left Lagos harbor have been replaced. A number of smaller construction firms have lost up to 90 percent of their workforce; their businesses have simply come to a halt.

The expulsion order was selective from the beginning. Most of the 30,000 teachers from Ghana remained, although some did not have work permits. Equally, the Ajakouta Steel Project had asked the government for permission to retain its foreigners in order not to disrupt production. The steel industry is one of Nigeria's economic priorities.

It is impossible to find out how many Ghanaians, citizens of Benin or Upper Volta

have come back so far. They can cross the bush frontier, which often exists on maps only, without ECOWAS papers.

Those who arrive by plane make sure their travel documents and vaccination certificates are in order. Often "letters of invitation" are asked for.

The January expulsion seriously damaged Nigeria's image in West Africa and in much of the world. It caused lame explanations by Interior Secretary Ali Baba that the expelled aliens "had no identity papers and that is why

the ECOWAS protocol on free movement was irrelevant."

There is no doubt here that the whole affair was a political stunt before the August general elections. The expulsion of foreigners appealed to the Nigerians, and the atmosphere of xenophobia has been fueled by the Nigerian press, which continues to warn of "the foreign menace."

The expulsion of the "menace" was most popular among lower class Nigerians, the shun dwellers who had to jostle for casual aliens.

House-help is now both scarce and expensive. Northern Hausas, who have traditionally dominated night-watchmen's jobs, are now asking for as much as 300 naira (\$420) a month — the salary of a Nigerian graduate.

**Lynx link in Italy's anti-rabies chain**

By Stuart Harris

**GRAN PARADISO, Italy (R)** — Sharp-fanged border guards from Transylvania will soon be patrolling the forests and mountains of Italy's Gran Paradiso National Park.

But it will be the lynx, and not descendants of the legendary Count Dracula, who will stalk the woods preying on sick animals or rabid foxes crossing the border from France.

The cold-eyed feline is part of a wildlife swap among Italy, Romania, Bulgaria and Yugoslavia. Gran Paradiso plans to take 12 of them and other locally extinct or endangered species in exchange for 60 of their 4,000 ibex mountain goats.

The lynx will be a harrier against rabies from France, said park health inspector Vittorio Peracino. "Foxes, which carry the disease, are very mobile but they won't be able to cross the lynx's land."

He stakes out his territory and patrols it every day against competition from other carnivores, such as the fox."

The Romanians have so far caught three males and three females in the Transylvanian Alps and Peracino hopes they will be here in time to give birth on Italian soil.

The European lynx has cousins in Spain and in North America, where it is known as the bobcat. Stocky and powerful, with a thick mottled coat, it can measure more than a meter (three feet) from its whiskers to its characteristic stubby tail.

Trigger-happy hunters, encouraged by a royal bounty, wiped out the lynx here 60 years ago, along with bears and wolves, and left the park without meat eaters to pick off weak or sick animals which pass on their illnesses, Peracino said.

The newly introduced lynxes will prey on animals suffering from an epidemic of con-

junctivitis, an eye disease currently infecting the park, and prevent other diseases such as scabies from spreading, he said.

If the destruction of the big carnivores is a shameful chapter in Italy's history, the survival in abundance of the shaggy-coated ibex is a success story. This large mountain goat with its long, gracefully curved, knobby horns, was hunted to extinction elsewhere.

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**Mark revaluation likely**

## Officials discuss EMS crisis

BRUSSELS, March 19 (R) — Senior treasury and central bank officials from European Economic Community states met here ahead of emergency talks between finance ministers later Saturday aimed at ending a currency crisis in the European Monetary System (EMS).

Diplomats said the experts were focusing on a partial revaluation of West Germany's mark and a downward shift in France's beleaguered franc to end weeks of turmoil on European foreign exchange markets. The ministerial talks, coming just two days before a summit meeting of EEC heads of state, were convened by West Germany, after what political sources in Paris said was a French threat to pull out of the joint currency float.

French Finance Minister Jacques Delors appeared to be paving the way for a downward shift in the franc when he told a television interviewer Friday night that it was necessary to "de-dramatize these monetary adjustments." France's central bank has been forced to drain its foreign exchange reserves to maintain the value of the franc in the EMS as investors poured money into marks after the re-election two weeks ago of West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl.

The soaring West German currency has

also pushed weaker currencies like the Belgian franc, Danish krona and Irish pound down to their lowest permitted levels in the EMS. Officials arriving for the meeting of the community's monetary committee declined comment on the likely outcome of the talks. Political sources said they expected long and difficult bargaining.

Bankers said that the finance ministers would have to agree to a parity change of around 10 percent between the franc and the mark to restore equilibrium to the EMS. The diplomats said that the share-out of this change — between a mark revaluation against all currencies except the strong Dutch guilder and a downward shift in the French franc — was likely to be one of the most difficult issues.

West Germany, facing near-record unemployment and anxious to protect the competitiveness of its exports, would seek to limit any revaluation of the mark.

### Japan may cut discount rate

TOKYO, March 19 (AFP) — The Japanese government will shortly announce a set of pump-priming measures, possibly including an official discount rate cut, to bolster the flagging Japanese economy, government officials said.

The decision came as Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone's economic aides and rulers

### Germans clear AEG-Telefunken deal by France

WEST BERLIN, March 19 (R) — West Germany's anti-trust authorities have given the green light to plans by France's state-owned Thomson Brandt group to take control of the consumer electronics subsidiary of AEG-Telefunken.

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The Bonn government would be seeking concrete assurances from Paris that the new French cabinet expected to be formed later this week would take new measures to restore the country's shaky economy. High inflation and a worsening trade balance have forced the Socialist administration of French President Francois Mitterrand to devalue twice in less than two years of power.

The meeting of finance ministers, which some diplomats predicted might run until Sunday, would be further complicated by uncertainty over the position of smaller currencies. The diplomats said that while most countries favored a revaluation of the mark, countries like Belgium, Denmark and Ireland could face pressure to agree a parallel deviation of their currencies.

Belgian Finance Minister Willy de Clercq said Friday night that his government, which has spent billions of dollars in defending the franc over the past few weeks, was determined to protect its parity.

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ing Liberal Democratic Party officials met Saturday to discuss ways of pulling the country out of a prolonged business slump, the officials said. Nakasone told newsmen he had asked his aides to finalize a reform package as a top priority matter. He said the package could ease or remove government controls and anti-monopoly regulations.

"If we can bring out the vitality of the private sector through removal of controls and liberalization, we will be able to hope for an effect on expanding the country's gross national product to the tune of \$4.2 to \$8.4 billion."

The ministers and LDP executives agreed on the need to steer the monetary policy with greater flexibility, including a cut in the Bank of Japan's official discount rate, a spokesman said.

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## U.S. output records fall of 8.1 percent

WASHINGTON, March 19 (AP) — Industrial production in the major industrial countries outside the United States dropped 1.1 percent in 1982, the largest decline in the U.S. government reported Friday.

Four of the seven major countries represented in the U.S. Commerce Department's international trade administration index reported declines in their output levels.

These four countries were West Germany, the Netherlands, Italy and Canada. Industrial production was up in France, Britain and Japan, the other three countries included in the government's index.

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### Pakistan to get WFP assistance

ROME, March 19 (AP) — Pakistan, Rwanda and Chad are to receive emergency food supplies from the World Food Program (WFP), it was announced at the program's headquarters here Friday.

The largest allocation, \$23.4 million, will go to Pakistan to help feed 2.2 million Afghan refugees there. The shipment will include 80,000 tons of wheat and 5,000 tons of powdered milk from the United States.

Rwanda, meanwhile, will receive \$1.426 million in beans, cooking oil, powdered milk and other foods for some 40,000 nationals returning from Uganda.

A total \$558,000 in food will be shipped to Chad to help cover food costs for two months for some 40,000 nationals returning from Nigeria.

inquiries begin for tankers

LONDON, March 19 (AFP) — Inquiry, albeit of a private nature slowly emerged on the tanker market this week following the OPEC accord to set new output quotas and a new benchmark oil price of \$29 a barrel.

But there was still an enormous overabundance of tonnage in the Gulf area. All sizes were in surplus, but particularly the larger sizes. Reports of large oil stocks emanating from Iran's oil terminal at Kharg Island, coming after Iraqi air attacks, kept the undertone quite firm in this sector, and small premiums were paid over previous rates. A few more

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### Financial Roundup

## Dollar closes on firm note

By J.H. Hammond

JEDDAH, March 19 — The dollar closed on a firm basis on the New York Friday night markets — aided by a larger than expected rise in the weekly U.S. money supply figures and divisions within the European Monetary System currencies (EMS). It was the latter aspect that dominated the financial markets on Friday with reports of an impending meeting of the EMS finance ministers over the weekend and with rumors of deep divisions over policy by the French and German authorities.

In Germany, the Bundes Bank interested heavily in support of the French, Belgian francs as well as the Danish currency, but most focus was on the French franc which fell 7.01 levels from 6.9385 on Thursday. In Paris, the French Central Bank moved

### Production levels to be kept

## Mexico will avoid price war

MEXICO CITY, March 19 (AP) — The government, celebrating the 45th anniversary of its expropriation of the Mexican oil industry, said Friday it will maintain current production levels as it seeks to avoid a price war with other petroleum producers.

Mario Ramon Beteta, director of the state Pemex petroleum monopoly, also pledged to root out corruption which has "stained the image" of the government-controlled industry. Beteta said Mexico would hold production at 2.75 million barrels daily, with exports of 1.5 million, half of which goes to the United States. "We are dealing with the establishment of a more just and more stable system, while at the same time defending our own prices," Beteta said, speaking at cere-

monies in Tula, 80 kms north of the capital, marking the March 18, 1938, nationalization of the oil industry by the then-President Lazaro Cardenas.

"We are not interested in competing unfairly with other producers, nor do we want to be left behind the competition," Beteta said. Beteta's comments, part of an annual review of the nation's oil industry, came five days after Mexico matched an OPEC decision to cut basic crude prices to \$29 a barrel.

Mexico had been charging \$32.50 for its high-quality Maya crude prior to the cut, \$1.50 less than the old benchmark price established by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries. Mexico is out of a member of OPEC, but maintains prices close to those of the oil cartel.

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## Libya, Soviet Union sign pacts

MOSCOW, March 19 (R) — Libya and the Soviet Union signed new agreements on economic cooperation Friday and said their regular contacts were aimed at strengthening economic cooperation and shared political aims, the Soviet news agency Tass reported.

Major Abdul-Salam Jalloul, second-in-command to Libyan leader Col. Muammar Qaddafi, left Moscow Friday after a three-day working visit in which he had several rounds of talks with Soviet Prime Minister Nikolai Tikhonov. "It was emphasized that meetings between the leaders of the two countries, which have acquired a regular character, are aimed both at further strengthening economic cooperation and at attain-

ing the goals of struggle for peace, for the removal of the dangers of war, and for detente," Tass said.

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**While Everton keeps Liverpool at bay**

## Withe nets 2 in Villa's big win

LONDON, March 19 (R) — Humble Coventry felt the full force of Aston Villa's fury Saturday as the dethroned European champions — beaten by Italy's Juventus in midweek — worked out their frustration in the English First Division.

Villa thrashed Coventry 4-0, with former England striker Peter Withe scoring twice, to keep up their chase for a European Football Union (UEFA) Cup place next season.

Liverpool, also bundled out of the European Cup last week, extended their lead in the First Division to 15 points despite drawing 0-0 with neighbors Everton. Liverpool, who meet Manchester United in next week's League Cup final at Wembley, are almost certain to win their 14th championship in manager Bob Paisley's retirement season.

United themselves remained in third place after being held 1-1 at home by bottom club Brighton, who stole a 2-1 win at Anfield last month to end Liverpool's Football Association (FA) Cup hopes. Second-placed Watford lost ground on the leaders after losing 1-0 at home to a Tottenham side, who had

five of their more famous names, including Glenn Hoddle, Steve Archibald and Ricky Villa, playing in the reserves.

Villa, beaten 5-2 over two legs by Juventus in their European Cup quarterfinal, took their revenge on an unsuspecting Coventry. Gary Shaw began the rout in the 24th minute, heading home Dennis Mortimer's right wing cross for his 18th goal of the season. Shaw crossed for Withe to make it 2-0 in the 29th minute before Allan Evans added a third seven minutes from halftime. Withe grabbed his second and Villa's fourth in the 70th minute.

Brighton, who could meet Manchester United in this season's FA Cup final, looked to be heading for another shock win at Old Trafford when Steve Gatting shot them ahead in the seventh minute — and that after their former United striker Andy Ritchie had seen his earlier effort disallowed. But United defender Arthur Albiston levelled the scores 12 minutes into the second half to earn his side a point.

England striker Paul Mariner grabbed his

first league goals since New Year's day to help Ipswich to a 2-0 win over Nottingham Forest. And his England partner Tony Woodcock rattled home a hat-trick to help Arsenal to their 4-1 win over Luton.

Woodcock struck first in the 18th minute and volleyed a brilliant second goal in the 25th after Brian Talbot, deputizing for the injured Yugoslav Vladimir Petrovic. He completed his hat-trick in the 58th minute after Paul Davis hit Arsenal's third goal before halftime. David Moss scored a late consolation goal for troubled Luton.

Liverpool and Everton fought out a goalless Merseyside derby — the only goalless game in the First Division. It was the first time since December that Liverpool had failed to score in the league and the first time since Oct. 16 they had failed to score at home.

Manchester City, still looking for their first win under manager John Benson, were hammered 4-1 at Southampton where striker Steve Moran netted a first half hat-trick. Tottenham captain Steve Perryman was sent off 10 minutes from time at Watford.



STRIKING LEFT: World Boxing Association champ Michael Spinks uses his left with telling effect during his 15-round bout with Dwight Braxton (left) in Atlantic City Friday night. Spinks won the fight on points.

### For world light-heavyweight crown

## Spinks outpoints Braxton

ATLANTIC CITY, New Jersey, March 19 (R) — Michael Spinks stayed on the run — "It was like the television show 'The Untouchables'" — to become undisputed world light-heavyweight boxing champion here Friday night.

Spinks, the World Boxing Association (WBA) champion, beat fellow-American Dwight Braxton, the World Boxing Council (WBC) titleholder, on the scorecards of all three judges to win the 15-round showdown at the Atlantic City Convention Hall. Peppered Braxton's face with snapping left jabs, while avoiding the relentless Braxton during most of the bout, the 26-year-old Spinks became the first fighter for 11 years to become undisputed holder of the light-heavyweight crown.

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## Upsets galore in amateur boxing

RENO, Nevada, March 19 (AP) — America's Pernell Whitaker, a lightweight, and Steve McCrory, a flyweight, captured world titles and two Canadians shocked Russia's heavyweight and light middleweight champs in Friday night's Amateur Boxing Championships.

Cuba came away with three titles on the seven-bout card of three rounds, but the night belonged to the west. Cheered by fans from Canada, Willie Dewitt shook off a deep gash above his right eye to upset world heavyweight Champ Aleksander Yagubkin of the Soviet Union in a bruising 3-2 decision.

In the most brutal and exciting bout, Canada's Shawn O'Sullivan wrested the light

## France, Ireland share honors

PARIS, March 19 (Agencies) — France gave a typically storming second-half performance to topple Wales 16-9 here Saturday and share the Five Nations Rugby Union Championship with Ireland, who beat England 25-12 in Dublin.

In a sometimes brutally rough match, Welsh fullback Mark Wyatt suffered an apparent broken collarbone, his French opposite number Sergio Blacco and forward Pierre Dospal broken noses, French captain Jean-Pierre Rives was covered in blood throughout the match from an early forehead cut, and Wales' Terry Holmes had stitches in a nose cut.

France won by a try, a drop goal and three penalties to a converted try and a penalty. Left-wing Patrick Esteve got France's try and Blacco kicked all three penalties. Roger Camberario, who had a very mixed match, kicked the drop. Jeff Squires, the Welsh flanker, scored Wales' try which was converted by Wyatt. Gwyn Evans kicked the penalty.

The half-time score saw England lead 10-12. Dusty Hare kicked four penalties from four shots to give England that interval lead. In a fluctuating half England led four times and Ireland three times.

Fergus Slattery, the Irish flanker, scored the only try and Ollie Campbell kicked two penalties after two early misses.

During the interval Ireland learned that they could still share the championship with France when the result of the Paris match was announced.

Ireland's Ollie Campbell was on a high, putting Ireland 22-12 ahead in the 56th minute with a 56 yard straight penalty. With seven minutes left Dusty Hare kicked his fifth penalty, reducing Ireland's lead to 22-15.

In the 80th minute Campbell kicked home another simple penalty for his 21st point giving Ireland its 25-15 victory.

## Spencer proves too fast for Roberts

JOHANNESBURG, March 19 (AFP) — American Freddie Spencer (Honda) won the 500cc class at the Nashua Motorcycle Grand Prix at Kyalamati near Johannesburg Saturday. World champion Kenny Roberts, also of the U.S., was second on a Yamaha and Britain's Ron Haslam (Honda) was third.

Jean-Francois Balde of France on a Chevalier won the 250cc class. He was followed by Belgian Didier de Radigues also on a Chevalier, while Frenchman Herve Guilleux on a Kawasaki took third position.

Spencer, who grabbed an early lead in the 30 lap 500cc competition, said he had had a great start and "That made the difference".

The elated American, who traveled at 167.98 kmh, whose leathers were ripped to shreds round the Kneepads said: "It's a good fast track and that was good for me — I like fast tracks." Second-placed Roberts, said: "I worked very hard out there today, but Freddie was just too fast."

Barry Sheene, defying those who said he would never return to racing after a terrible practice crash last year, finished a solid 10th on his Suzuki. The 32-year-old Briton is already well ahead of his self-imposed target in what he calls his "convalescence period" — he was aiming to make the top 15 Saturday.

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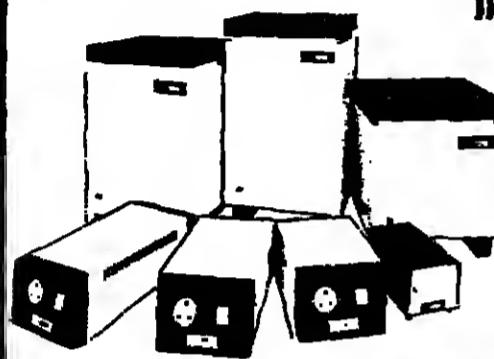
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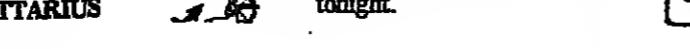
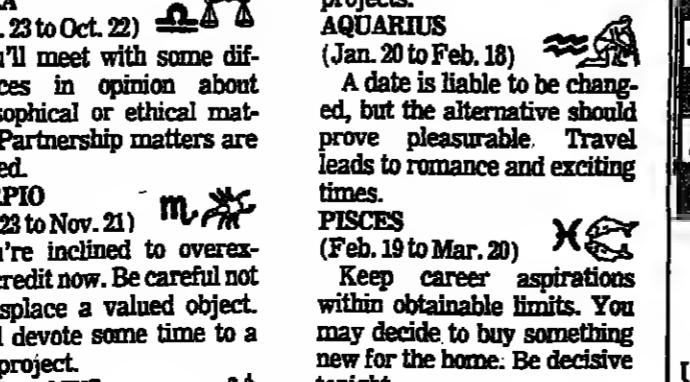
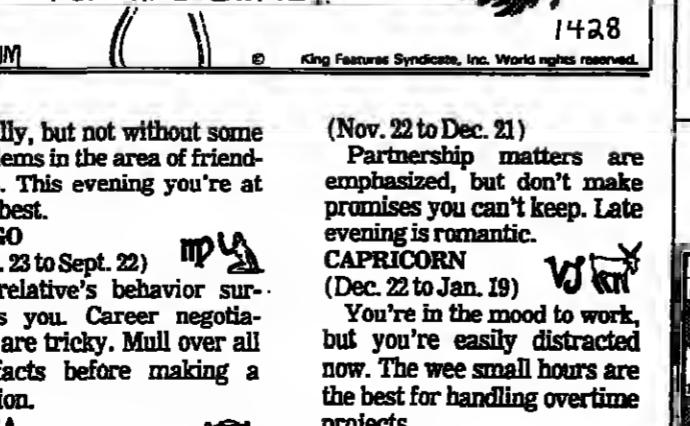
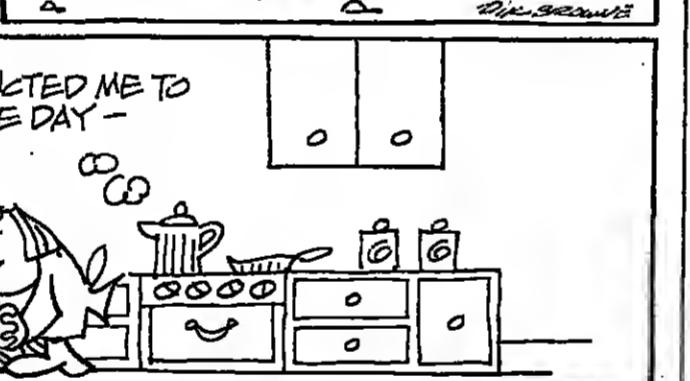
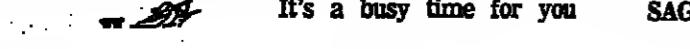
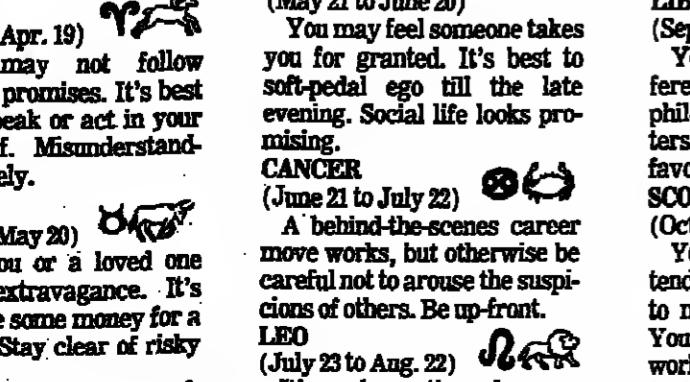
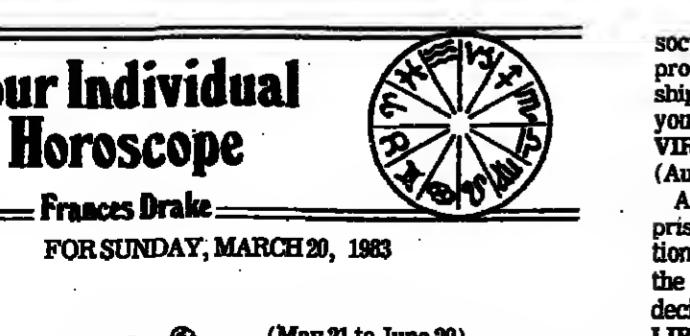
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- Family Program	9:21 Dallas/Second Thought
- Family Magazine	10:00 News
- Crossword	10:30 Economic Report
Evening	11:15 Movie Film
4:00 Opening, Quran	1:00 Closedown
- Children's Program	2:00 Headlines
- Modern Mathematics	2:10 Headlines
- Local Program	2:40 Headlines
- Traffic Program	3:00 Rock Shows
- TV Movie	7:10 Big League Soccer
- Arabic News	8:00 Local News
- Daily Arabic Series	8:10 Charlie's Angels
- Selected Songs	9:00 World News
- Arabic Weekly Series	10:30 Open All Night
- Crossword	11:00 Dark Room
Bahrain Channel 4	12:00 Closedown
4:00 Opening, Quran	2:00 Studio One
- Religious Talk	6:15 Concerts
- Program Preview	6:30 Educational Program
4:30 Cartoons	7:30 Emergency
6:00 Religious Program	8:30 Berries
6:45 News	9:00 World News
7:00 News	9:30 World Report
7:00 Arabic Series	9:45 Mighty Micro
7:30 Songs	10:15 Zooty
8:00 Arabic Program	11:00 Bellamy
10:00 Program	
Bahrain Channel 55	
6:00 Program Preview	
6:05 Cartoons	
6:30 Huckleberry Finn	
7:00 News	
7:30 Songs	
8:00 Dickens of London	
8:30 Rockin' Files	
9:40 Centennial, followed by News Summary	
Dubai Channel 10	
4:00 Holy Quran	
4:15 Religion Talk	
4:30 Cartoons	
5:00 Arabic Cartoons	
5:30 Headlines	
6:00 Documentary	
6:30 Headlines	
7:00 News	
7:30 News	
8:00 Local News	
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4:00 Children's Show	
4:32 Safety/Meet Your Chopper	
4:40 Little People/Social Web News	
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5:33 People Special	
5:56 Leaves and Shirley We've Played Me Too Far	
6:24 Workouts	
6:53 I Love Lucy	
7:16 The Empress	
Roger Munk	

Radio Programs	
BBC World Service	VOA Sunday
Sunday	0600-0900 The Breakfast Show
MORNING TRANSMISSION	1800 News and Topical Reports
0300 World News	1815 New Horizons
(0309 News about Britain)	1830 Issues in the News
(0315 Radio Newsread)	1900 Special English News
(0330 Play of the Week)	1915 Special English Stories
(0430 Radio Performance (er Sat., 27th))	1915 Special English Feature: People in America
0500 World News	1930 Music USA Standards
0505 British Press Review	2000 News and New Stories
0515 Lord Harwood's Musical Warnings	2015 Critics Choice
0600 World News	2030 Studio One
0609 News about Britain	2100 Special English News
0615 From our own Correspondent	2110 World Stories
0630 My Word	2115 Special English Stories
0700 Headlines	2115 Special English Feature: People in America
0730 The Feed Woods Collection	2130 Music USA: Standards
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0800 British Press Review	2230 Issues and Answers
0815 Letters to the Prince of Wales	2300 Special English News
0845 Letter from America	2310 Words and Their Stories
0900 Newcastle	2315 Concerts and New Products USA
0930 Big Band Special	2400 Concerts and New Products USA
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1027 News about Britain	2430-2500 Studio One
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## Prem calls snap poll as a rebuff to parties

BANGKOK, March 19 (AP) — Thailand's Prime Minister Gen. Prem Tinsulanonda Saturday called a snap general election for April 18, in a move seen here as a rebuff to political parties instrumental in defeating army-backed constitutional changes in the parliament three days ago.

An announcement from King Bhumipol Adulyadej dissolving parliament and setting the election date was read on all radio and television stations Saturday night.

It climaxed a month of fierce constitutional debate here in which the army attempted to restructure the appointed Senate and prevent full powers from devolving to the House of Representatives after April 21.

The King's statement said that election procedures decided upon by parliament during its vote Wednesday would bring "unrest and violence to the political, economic and social life of the country" and "disrupt democracy."

The constitutional debate, which began in January, had created conflict among citizens and politicians, said the five-minute statement.

## Indira shares U.N. award with Chinese

UNITED NATIONS, March 19 (AP) — Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi and the family planning minister who made China self-sufficient in contraceptives were picked Friday to share the first annual United Nations Population Award.

Mrs. Gandhi and Qian Xinhong were chosen by a 10-nation committee from among 71 nominees, including government officials, scientists and institutions involved in family planning.

Anwarul Karim Chowdhury of Bangladesh, chairman of the selection committee, told a news conference that each laureate is to receive a diploma, gold medal and a cash prize of \$12,500 at a ceremony in the U.N. General Assembly hall here next June.

The award was created by a 1981 General Assembly resolution to honor "the most outstanding contribution to the awareness of population questions or to their solutions, by an individual or individuals, or by an institution." The prize money comes from voluntary contributions by U.N. member states.

A citation said that Mrs. Gandhi's "leadership in creating awareness and understanding of population issues, especially at the individual and community levels, has been of crucial importance to the success of India's family planning program." The committee said she also had "helped to form a strong political commitment rising above party lines, enabling both governmental and nongovernmental bodies to promote family planning with confidence and dedication. As a result of efforts under her leadership, the birth rate in India has been reduced from 42 per 1,000 in 1965-70 to 35.3 per 1,000 in 1975-80."

In honoring Qian, the committee noted that he had "organized medical workers and scientists for research on contraceptives, resulting in China's self-sufficiency in contraceptive production and in a system which provides free contraceptives" and had "facilitated adoption of national population policy through research and education, contributing to China's declining growth rate of population, (from 2 percent in the early 1950s to 1.4 percent in the latter half of the 1970s) and increase in average life expectancy (from 36 years in 1949 to 68 years in 1981)."

The elections will now be held on a basis of votes for individual candidates and not on a party list system. The list system was due to come into effect after April 21, along with the new provisions diminishing the Senate's power.

The army, led by Commander in Chief Gen. Arthit Kamlang-Ek and his assistant Chief of Staff Gen. Chaovalit Youngchaivuth, had been critical of Thailand's political party set-up during the intensifying debate in the past few months.

They reopened an older question on the role of the army in politics. Arthit said that the army was the most suitable institution in the country to guide Thailand toward true democracy.

However, leaders of Thailand's three major political parties — all members of Prem's current three-party coalition — warned of a move toward dictatorship. The army's move to retain the powers of the appointed Senate was voted down Wednesday by representatives and senators after a month-long special session and demonstrations outside parliament.

### Videotape censorship alleged

## Networks protest to Soviets

NEW YORK, March 19 (AP) — The three major U.S. television networks complained Friday that Soviet customs agents have begun screening incoming and outgoing videotape cassettes, an action which two network officials called "censorship."

The protests were prompted by a report that NBC News' Moscow correspondent had been told by customs officials that all videotape would be screened before shipment. The correspondent, Stan Bernard, said one shipment of videotape was delayed at the airport in Moscow.

The Soviet Foreign Ministry was closed Saturday and could not be contacted for comment.

Van Gordon Sauter, president of CBS News, sent a letter to Anatoly Dobrynin, Soviet ambassador to the U.S. in Washington, saying he "strongly protests" such action and called it "a clear case of censorship."

CBS spokeswoman Geraldine Newton said CBS had not encountered any problems in shipping videotape from Moscow, but that word of an incident involving NBC prompted Sauter to protest to Dobrynin.

"It is clear that such action would have an immediate and chilling effect on our ability to report fairly and accurately from the Soviet Union," Sauter wrote. CBS released copies of the letter here. Reuben Frank, president of

"This action apparently amounts to an imposition of censorship. We will vigorously oppose it," said ABC News president Roone Arledge, whose statement was released in Washington. "We will attempt to convince the Soviet government to reconsider."

ABC spokeswoman Elsie Addo said the network had not been notified by the Soviets of any new regulation, and had not tried to ship any tape since the NBC incident.

State Department press officer Rush Taylor said the U.S. Embassy in Moscow was attempting to confirm the reports with Soviet officials. He refused to discuss what action might be taken if it was confirmed.

In Moscow, Bernard said he was told of the new policy by customs officials Thursday when he tried to ship some file footage to New York via Frankfurt.

"When we arrived at the airport yesterday they said a new policy is in effect, under which the tapes must be there four hours before flight time because we need time to screen the material," Bernard said.

He said the Soviets granted NBC an exception because they had not been informed of the rule, but the video cassettes were not on the plane when it arrived in Frankfurt. Bernard said the tapes were found at Moscow International Airport.

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## 4 Zimbabwean whites slain

HARARE, Zimbabwe, March 19 (AP) — Zimbabwean dissidents shot dead an elderly Matabeleland couple and their two teen-age granddaughters, raising fears of a new wave of terror against black and white civilians in the troubled province.

Eric Stratford, 66, his wife Christine, 62, and two visiting grandchildren aged 12 and 15, were shot through their heads with the Stratfords' revolver at their "secret valley" farm in the Nyamandhlovu region of central Matabeleland just after dusk Friday.

Six dissidents marched the four whites at gunpoint from the house and paraded them before farm laborers, some of whom had earlier shot the gunmen. Stratford was a "bad boss," government Information Director Justin Nyoka said in a statement.

"The laborers repeated their allegations," Nyoka said. "The Stratfords, their grandchil-

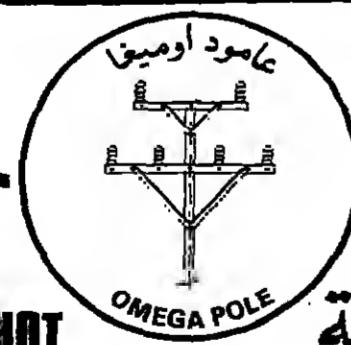
dren and the bandits went inside where the bandits shot all four with the Stratfords' revolver. Theo, they ransacked the house."

Police sources said Stratford and his wife were tied together in the kitchen of their house, north of the Matabeleland provincial capital of Bulawayo. All four whites were shot through the head "in classic terrorist execution style," one police investigator told the Associated Press.

Director Nyoka, in a statement, blamed dissidents loyal to runaway opposition leader Joshua Nkomo for the slayings.

More than 2,000 Nkomo loyalists deserted from the national army 13 months ago in anger and humiliation over the Zimbabwe African Peoples' Union president's dismissal from the coalition government for allegedly plotting a coup against Prime Minister Robert Mugabe.

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## Greek press resents U.S. 'interference'

ATHENS, March 19 (R) — Greece and the United States, their relations overshadowed by allegations from Athens of U.S. interference in its affairs, have resumed talks about the future of American bases in this country. The talks had been interrupted for a week after Athens had demanded greatly increased American military aid.

Greek officials said they were resumed on the initiative of the Americans. U.S. negotiator Reginald Bartholomew met the Greek undersecretary for foreign affairs, Yannis Kapsis, for two and a half hours Saturday following a 90-minute meeting between the two men Friday night, their first encounter since March 11.

Neither side would comment on the talks or say when the next meeting would take place. The Greek officials said Bartholomew had telephoned Kapsis Friday morning to propose a new meeting.

Left-wing Greek newspapers reacted angrily Saturday to a report, confirmed by the government, that the United States had expressed concern, to the Socialist administration over a joint Greek-Soviet communiqué issued last month.

Government spokesman Dimitrios Maroudas Friday night described as genuine an item published in a satirical magazine which was said to be a U.S. note to Greece expressing worry over Greek support for Soviet foreign policy positions.

The official news agency ANA Saturday quoted Maroudas as saying: "No one can interfere in the exercise of our multilateral and occasionally proud foreign policy." The afternoon newspaper *Eleftherotypia* said of the note that "the blackmail has not stopped."

The Communist paper *Rizospastis* accused Washington of putting "asphyxiating pressure" on Greece. ANA said U.S. Assistant Secretary of State Richard Burt had given the note to a Greek Embassy official in Washington.

The embassy had been instructed not to reply on grounds that this would create a precedent for U.S. interference in Greece, the news agency said. As published in Greek by *Poniki* magazine, the note took exception to Greek support for Warsaw Pact non-aggression proposals, nuclear-free zones, and the principle of "equality" between East and West.

When the U.S.-Greek talks reached deadlock eight days ago, informed sources said Greece had demanded military aid worth a billion dollars if the four bases were to stay. This would have included early warning systems to cover its air space.

The sources said other issues were whether any new agreement would include a provision for the bases' eventual withdrawal, and whether Greece would be allowed tighter control of the bases' activities.

The influential newspaper *Kathimerini* said Saturday that Bartholomew was expected to convey Washington's latest views on the aid demands and also to give the U.S. position on how the bases should be described.

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## Umberto's body taken to French burial place

Umberto's estranged wife, Maria Jose of Belgium, was to travel from the Lake Geneva mansion where she has lived since 1948 to the abbey on Sunday, the family spokesman said. The family said Umberto would be buried Thursday in the abbey at Saint Pierre de Carteliers among his ancestors from the House of Savoy. Umberto's father Vittorio Emmanuel II is buried in Egypt since the Italian government has never allowed his body back into Italy.

King Paul II of Greece on Saturday sent a cablegram to the former queen of Italy offering his condolences.

Meanwhile, many of Italy's political leaders expressed regret that parliament had been unable to lift in time a constitutional ban on the return to Italian soil of Umberto and his male heirs. A political campaign to allow his return or humanitarian grounds had been gathering momentum in recent weeks and President Sandro Pertini said last month that he hoped the former king would be allowed to return.

Oscar Mammi, a member of the small Republican Party, who supported moves in parliament to speed the ex-king's return, said Friday night: "We have missed the opportunity of making a gesture which would have honored the Italian republic."

The country's shrinking band of monarchists, represented by the small but vocal Italian Monarchist Union, believe Umberto and his father should be interred in the Pantheon in Rome alongside King Umberto I and Victor Emmanuel II. Now that Umberto is dead, most political commentators see little possibility that parliament will allow his only son, Prince Victor Emmanuel, to return to Italy.

## Husak dispatches pleas for Czechs

PRAGUE, March 19 (AP) — Czechoslovak President and Communist Party chief Gustav Husak sent a message to Angolan President Jose Eduardo dos Santos on Saturday amid hectic diplomatic activity to win release of 64 Czechs captured by anti-government UNITA rebels.

The Czech news agency CTK reported that Husak informed his Angolan counterpart of the "steps taken by the Czechoslovak government to secure immediate, unconditional release of all kidnapped Czechoslovak experts and their families."

According to the state-run news agency, Husak expressed conviction that the Angolan president would use "all available means" for the "liberation" of the Czech captives, including 21 children.

U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar, the International Red Cross Committee, the International Labor Organization and the French Foreign Ministry were the first to be approached by the Czechs for assistance.

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